



St James' Old Cathedral

10th November 2024 at 10:00am
Annual Pioneer Service

**William Barak (1824-1903):
Witness to the Pioneers**

*Service of Morning Prayer from
The Book of Common Prayer (1662)*

Acknowledgement of Country

We worship our creator God on the ancestral lands of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We acknowledge them as the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

Child Safety Officer

We are committed to continuous improvement in a safe culture for all, and especially vulnerable persons. Our parish's Child Safety Officer is Una Ebsworth. Una is an accredited specialist in criminal law. All correspondence and questions relating to safety checks should be forwarded to her at safety@sjoc.org.au

The Old Cathedral Voices

Formed in March 2009 from some of Melbourne's finest choral soloists, The Old Cathedral Voices are a consort choir directed by Alex Ritter. Alex is on leave. The choir is directed by Jenny George.

Today's singers are:

Monika Harris	Carolyn Baker	Roslyn White	
Jenny George	Matthew Crossley	Alex Gorbatov	
Julien Robinson	Andrew Anderson	Alex Owens	Mike Mews

The Organ

The present organ was built in 1991 by Australian Pipe Organs, restoring and expanding the 1866 Fincham organ. 2 manuals, 18 speaking stops, 8 couplers. Gt: 8.8.4.4.2.III. Sw: 8.8.8.4.2.III.8. Ped: 16.16.10-2/3.8.4.

The Old Cathedral's organist is David Brown. David undertook studies as an organ scholar at the Universities of Cambridge and St Andrews. He also serves as College Organist for Scotch College.

The Bells

Melbourne's first peal of bells were the six bells hung in St James' Cathedral in 1853, replacing an old ship's bell. Two more were added in 1885. All were cast by Mears and Stainbank of Whitechapel Road, London, and are reputed to be the finest ever cast there. They are still rung regularly by a team of volunteers.

Processional (All Stand)
Come, Let's Rejoice

The Old Cathedral Voices
J. Amner (1579-1641)

Come, let's rejoice unto the Lord:

let us make joy to God our Saviour.

Let us approach to his presence in confession:

and in psalms let us make joy to him. Ps 95:1-2

Sentence of Scripture

Bridget Penington

Jesus said: In this world you will have trouble.

But take heart! I have overcome the world. *John 16:33*

Invocation and Greeting

Bridget Penington

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever.

We gather to pray on Wurundjeri land:

God, bless your Aboriginal people always.

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Royal Anthem (The Anthem of the Pioneers)

God save our gracious King,

Long live our noble King,

God save The King.

Send him victorious,

Happy and glorious,

Long to reign over us:

God save The King.

Welcome

Bridget Penington

Confession (*All Sit or Kneel*)

Bridget Penington

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement;
not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jeremiah 10:24, Ps 6:1*

Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St Matthew 3:2*

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places
to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness;
and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them
before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father;
but confess them with an humble, lowly,
penitent and obedient heart;
to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same,
by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times
humbly to acknowledge our sins before God;
yet ought we most chiefly so to do,
when we assemble and meet together
to render thanks for the great benefits
that we have received at his hands,
to set forth his most worthy praise,
to hear his most holy Word,
and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary,
as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you,
as many as are here present,
to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice
unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying with me:

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done,
And there is no health in us:
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders;
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults,
Restore thou them that are penitent,
According to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesu our Lord:
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Remembering especially the mistreatment of Aboriginal Australians by and since the Pioneers whose achievements we celebrate today, and longing to find paths of reconciliation, we continue to pray silently as the choir sings.

Meditation *The Old Cathedral Voices*
Remember not, Lord, our offences *H. Purcell (1659-1695)*

*Remember not, Lord, our offences,
nor the offences of our forefathers;
neither take thou vengeance of our sins:
but spare us, good Lord, spare thy people
whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood,
and be not angry with us for ever. Spare us, good Lord.*

- The Litany (BCP)

Absolution

Canon Matt Williams

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who desireth not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live;
and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers,
to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent,
the Absolution and Remission of their sins:

He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent
and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance
and his Holy Spirit,
that those things may please him which we do at this present,
and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy;
so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Responses

Bridget Penington

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Gathering for Children's Chapel

Dr Matthew Champion

We offer an age-appropriate experience of the Ministry of the Word for children, led today by Dr Matthew Champion. They are invited to process out to the conference centre, as the following anthem is sung.

Childsafe Policy: Children's Chapel is supervised at all times by at least two unrelated adults with current Working with Children Check approvals.

Meditation (from "Elijah")

The Old Cathedral Voices

Blessed are the men who fear him

F. Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Blessed are the men who fear him:

they ever walk in the ways of peace.

Through darkness riseth light to the upright:

he is gracious, compassionate, he is righteous.

Blessed are the men who fear him:

they ever walk in the ways of peace.

Psalm 95 (Venite)

Bridget Penington

O Come, let us sing unto the Lord:

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving:

and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God:

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth:

and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it:

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship, and fall down:

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God:

**and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts:

**as in the provocation,
and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;**

When your fathers tempted me:

proved me, and saw my works.

Forty years long I was grieved with this generation, and said:

**It is a people that do err in their hearts,
for they have not known my ways.**

Unto whom I sware in my wrath:

that they should not enter into my rest.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Psalm 120 (BCP)

Bridget Penington

When I was in trouble I called upon the Lord :

and he heard me.

Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips :

and from a deceitful tongue.

What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue :

even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech :

and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar.

My soul hath long dwelt among them :

that are enemies unto peace.

I labour for peace, but when I speak unto them thereof :

they make them ready to battle.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen.

First Lesson: Leviticus 6:1-7

Barbara Busk-Christensen

Here beginneth the first verse of the sixth chapter of the book of Leviticus.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

²When any of you sin and commit a trespass against the Lord
by deceiving a neighbour in a matter of a deposit or a pledge,
or by robbery, or if you have defrauded a neighbour,

³or have found something lost and lied about it—
if you swear falsely regarding any of the various things
that one may do and sin thereby—

⁴when you have sinned and realize your guilt,
and would restore what you took by robbery or by fraud
or the deposit that was committed to you,
or the lost thing that you found,

⁵or anything else about which you have sworn falsely,
you shall repay the principal amount and shall add one-fifth to it.

You shall pay it to its owner when you realize your guilt.

⁶And you shall bring to the priest, as your guilt-offering to the Lord,
a ram without blemish from the flock, or its equivalent,
for a guilt-offering.

⁷The priest shall make atonement on your behalf before the Lord,
and you shall be forgiven for any of the things that one may do
and incur guilt thereby.

Here endeth the first lesson.

Te Deum: Hymn 113 (Song 1)

J. Quinn (1919-2008)

**We praise you, God, confessing you as Lord!
Eternal Father, all earth worships you!
Angelic choirs, high heavens, celestial powers,
cherubs and seraphs praise you ceaselessly:
'All holy Lord, O God of heavenly hosts,
your glorious majesty fills heaven and earth.'**

**Blessed apostles join in praise of you
with prophets famed and martyrs clothed in white,
singing with holy Church throughout the earth:
'Father, we praise your boundless majesty!
We praise your glorious, true and only Son!
We praise you, Holy Spirit, Paraclete!'**

**You are the King of glory, Jesus Christ!
You are the Father's everlasting Son!
Born for mankind from lowly Virgin's womb,
death you have conquered, opening heaven to faith;
throned now in glory at the Father's side
you shall return in glory as our judge!**

**We pray you, therefore, give your servants aid,
whom you have ransomed with your precious blood,
let them be ranked in glory with your saints;
save, Lord, the people who are wholly yours,
bless them, for they are your inheritance,
and, as their ruler, ever raise them up.**

Cont. Over =>

**Throughout each single day, we bless you, Lord,
for all eternity we praise your name.
Keep us this day, Lord, free from every sin;
have mercy on us, Lord; have mercy, Lord:
show us your love, as we have hoped in you!
You are my hope, Lord: you shall fail me not!**

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 *James McComish*

*Here beginneth the sixteenth verse of the fifth chapter
of the Second Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.*

- ¹⁶From now on, therefore,
 we regard no one from a human point of view;
even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view,
 we know him no longer in that way.
- ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
 everything old has passed away;
 see, everything has become new!
- ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ,
 and has given us the ministry of reconciliation;
- ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,
 not counting their trespasses against them,
 and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.
- ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ,
 since God is making his appeal through us;
 we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.
- ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,
 so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Here endeth the second lesson.

Meditation
Jubilate in C (Op 115)

The Old Cathedral Voices
C. V. Stanford (1852-1924)

*O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.*

*Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves,
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

*O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise:
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.*

*For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

Sermon

Canon Matt Williams

Anthem

The Old Cathedral Voices

Since we are surrounded

K. Terpstra (b. 1978)

Commissioned for The Old Cathedral Voices. Premiered 14th September 2014.

*Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,
and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.*

*For the sake of the joy that was set before him
he endured the cross, disregarding its shame,
and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Hebrews 12:1-2

Apostles' Creed (*All Stand*)

Bridget Penington

**I Believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

Canon Matt Williams

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive them that trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us,

but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Hymn 136 (Duke Street 24)

I. Watts (1674-1748)

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

**For him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.**

**People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.**

**Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
the prisoner leaps to lose his chains:
the weary find eternal rest:
and all the sons of want are blest.**

**Where he displays his healing power,
death and the curse are known no more;
in him the tribes of Adam boast
more blessings than their father lost.**

**Let every creature rise and bring
peculiar honours to our King,
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the long amen.**

Collect for Trinity 24

Bridget Penington

O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences;
that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered
from the bands of those sins,
which by our frailty we have committed:
Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake,
our blessed Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**

For Peace

Canon Matt Williams

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord,
in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life,
whose service is perfect freedom:
Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies;
that we, surely trusting in thy defence,
may not fear the power of any adversaries;
through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For Grace

Bridget Penington

O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God,
who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day:
Defend us in the same with thy mighty power;
and grant that this day we fall into no sin,
neither run into any kind of danger;
but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance,
to do always that is righteous in thy sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For those in Authority

Canon Matt Williams

O Lord our heavenly Father, high and mighty,
King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes,
who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth:
Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold
our most gracious Sovereign, King Charles;
his governors, representatives and ministers,
his parliaments, and all who exercise authority in this land,
and so replenish them with the grace of thy Holy Spirit,
that they may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way:
Endue them plenteously with heavenly gifts;
grant them in health and wealth long to live;
and finally after this life may they attain everlasting joy and felicity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For the Clergy and People

Bridget Penington

Almighty and everlasting God,
who alone workest great marvels:
Send down upon our Bishops and Curates,
and all Congregations committed to their charge,
the healthful Spirit of thy grace;
and that they may truly please thee,
pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing.
Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator,
Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

For All Conditions of Men

Canon Matt Williams

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind,
we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men;
that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them,
thy saving health unto all nations.

More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholick Church;
that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit,
that all who profess and call themselves Christians
may be led into the way of truth,
and hold the faith in unity of spirit,
in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.

Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those,
who are in any ways afflicted or distressed
in mind, body, or estate;
especially those we remember before you now.

We ask that it may please thee, merciful Lord,
to comfort and relieve them,
according to their several necessities,
giving them patience under their sufferings,
and a happy issue out of all their afflictions.

And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. **Amen.**

For Continued Perseverance

Bridget Penington

Almighty God, who continually calls and draws all people
to acknowledge the Lordship of your Son, Jesus Christ,
and to receive salvation through his death and resurrection,
we thank you for 185 years of Christian witness
from this church of St James in the city of Melbourne.

Bless us with the grace to persevere
with that same faithfulness and passion with which we began,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

Canon Matt Williams

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplications unto thee;
and dost promise that when two or three
are gathered together in thy Name
thou wilt grant their requests:

Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants,
as may be most expedient for them;
granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth,
and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Notices

Canon Matt Williams

The children's chapel will return to join us as we sing.

Hymn 389 (Thornbury)

E. Plumptre (1821-91)

**Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written, full clear, on every page;
our fathers owned your goodness, and we their deeds record;
and both of this bear witness:**

one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

**When shadows thick were falling and all seemed sunk in night,
thou, Lord, didst send thy servants, thy chosen sons of light.**

**On them and on thy people thy plenteous grace was poured,
and this was still their message:**

one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

**And we, shall we be faithless? Shall hearts fall, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the conflict, and cast away our crown?**

**Not so; in God's deep counsels some better thing is stored:
we will maintain, unflinching:**

One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

**Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone;
with your right hand to help us, the victory shall be won;
and then, by men and angels, your name shall be adored,
and this shall be our anthem:**

one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

The Grace

Bridget Penington

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,
be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Recessional

David Brown (Organ)

“St Anne” Fugue in Eb (BWV552)

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA
IN THE CONFERENCE CENTRE NEXT DOOR**

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St James' Old Cathedral

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hosted by Ros & Chris White
at their home and garden in Camberwell

Saturday 23rd November

10:00am to 3:00pm

A day of rest and restoration in a beautiful garden setting with
direction into contemplation, stillness and silence.

\$25 donation includes Morning Tea & Lunch

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Emma's

Commissioning Celebration

Saturday 23rd November
4pm Service
5:30pm Light Dinner and Goodbyes

Location:
St Alfred's Anglican Church
Blackburn North

RSVP



Intercessions

We pray for: Our West Melbourne Community; Haileybury College; Joy Surgical; Mike Raiter and The Centre for Biblical Preaching; Emma Payne (CMS); Chris & Sarah Griffioen and family (OM); Australian Indigenous Churches; Ridley College; Trinity College; the Overseas Chinese Christian Church; Andrew; Beverly Stephenson; Jill Sculley; Sergio Altin; Hugo Ellis; Josephine Carne; Jean Ely; Lorraine Hedley; Merle Taylor; Jamie Chisholm; Zoe Creelman; Stuart; Janette Wells; The Altin family; Lisa Thompson; Jenny Swain; Jean Miller; Tony Billington.

Notices

- See the previous page for two events on Saturday 23rd November.
- The Parish AGM will be Sunday 24th November at 12pm.
- A 6 week study using Know Your Bible (KYB) Study materials, for the women in our church, has commenced on Thursdays at 10am in the conference centre. For details see Janet Neumann or Diana Robertson.
- Callum Dawson is on leave, returning next Sunday.
- Canon Matt is on annual leave next weekend.

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