

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF LAMBTON
Holy Communion 26.1.25

Processional Hymn **TIS 188**
(Please stand if you are able)

**Where wide sky rolls down and touches red sand,
where sun turns to gold the grass of the land,
let spinifex, mulga and waterhole tell
their joy in the One who made everything well.**

**Where rain-forest calm meets reef, tide and storm,
where green things grow lush and oceans are warm,
let every sea-creature and tropical bird
exult in the light of the life-giving Word.**

**Where red gum and creek cross hillside and plain,
where cool tree-ferns rise to welcome the rain,
let bushland, farm, mountain-top, all of their days
delight in the Spirit who formed them for praise.**

**Now, people of faith, come gather around
with songs to be shared, for blessings abound!
Australians, whatever your culture or race,
come, lift up your hearts to the Giver of grace.**

Later form of German traditional melody 'Maria zu lieben' from the 'Paderborn Gesangbuch' 1765 Elizabeth J. Smith 1956-

Acknowledgement of Country

We gather on Awabakal land and acknowledge the Awabakal and Worimi people as the traditional custodians of this land.

We say together

**We join our custodianship with theirs in honouring creation and acknowledge the elders,
past, present and emerging.**

Sentence

Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah: 'The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.' Luke 4.18

The Priest greets the people.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

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.**

Invitation to Confession

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself'.

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Silence may be kept

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**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.**

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all 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.**

**Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
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 Collect

Bounteous God, we give thanks for this ancient and beautiful land, a land of despair and hope, a land of wealth and abundant harvests, a land of fire, drought and flood.

We pray that your Spirit may continue to move in this land and bring forgiveness, reconciliation, and an end to all injustice; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

The Old Testament Reading Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10.

...For the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Reading 19

The New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31

...For the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Hymn MP 179

*Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus is His name.*

He possessed no riches, no home to lay His head;
He saw the needs of others and cared for them instead.
Go tell it on the mountain...

He reached out and touched them, the blind, the deaf, the lame;
He spoke and listened gladly to anyone who came.
Go tell it on the mountain...

Some turned away in anger, with hatred in the eye;
They tried Him and condemned Him, then led Him out to die.
Go tell it on the mountain...

'Father, now forgive them'- those were the words He said;
in three more days He was alive and risen from the dead.
Go tell it on the mountain...

He still comes to people, His life moves through the lands;
He uses us for speaking, He touches with our hands.
Go tell it on the mountain...

Words and music: Geoffrey Marshall-Taylor Music arranged: Douglas Coombes

The Gospel Reading Luke 4: 14-21

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ...

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

For the Gospel of the Lord
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

After the Sermon there may be a time of quiet reflection.

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith:
receive the prayers we offer.

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray,

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

Jesus said: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you. John 13.34

Let us pray.

**We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn TIS 158

A thanksgiving offertory collection is received for the work of the Church.

**God has spoken by his prophets,
spoken his unchanging word,
each, from age to age proclaiming
God, the one, the righteous Lord.
In the world's despair and turmoil
one firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, his throne eternal,
God the first, and God the last.**

**God has spoken by Christ Jesus;,
Christ, the everlasting Son,
brightness of the Father's glory,
with the Father ever one;
spoken by the Word incarnate,
God from God, ere time began,
Light from Light, to earth descending,
God revealed as Son of Man.**

**God is speaking by his Spirit,
speaking to our hearts again,
in the age-long word expounding
God's own message, now as then,
through the rise and fall of nations
one sure faith yet standing fast;
God still speaks, his word unchanging,
God the first, and God the last.**

Adapted from Ludwig van Beethoven 1770-1827 George Wallace Briggs 1875-1959 *alt.*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
And for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever!

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah,
the light of the nations,
and revealed him as the hope
of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
And with all the company of heaven,
We proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

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.

Feel free to remain standing, to kneel or be seated.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your
creation,

this bread and wine,

and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,

we who eat and drink them

may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;

and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'
After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying,
Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.
Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you,
Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,
For we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Reflection Hymn TiS 511

Let us break bread together with the Lord!

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***As we travel through this land, all God's children hand in hand,
Lord, fill all our living with your life.***

Let us drink wine together with the Lord...

Let us sing songs together with the Lord...

Let us all work together for the Lord...

African-American spiritual melody arr. Charles Cleall 1927-

Prayer after Communion

God of the nations,

we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.

Guide us by your presence,

that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,
and establish your justice in the earth.

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.

Notices

The Blessing

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn TIS 658

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night;

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame;
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts are satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Daniel L. Schutte 1947-

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

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