

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

22 January 2023

HYMNS

598 Dear father, Lord of
humankind

457 The church's one
foundation

242 Lord of the Dance

SENTENCE

Jesus went throughout Galilee,
teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the
kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the
people.

COLLECT

Loving God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the
souls that love you, and the strength of the hearts that serve you:
help us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love
you that we may faithfully serve you, whose service is perfect
freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READINGS

A reading from the prophet Isaiah:

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the
former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the
land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the
way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the
nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great
light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light
has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its
joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people



exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. *Isaiah*
9.1-4

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

We say the verses from Psalm 27 alternately:

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not be afraid, and though there rise up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

One thing have I asked of the Lord and that alone I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek his will in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he shall hide me in his shelter; in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me and set me high upon a rock.

And now shall he lift up my head above my enemies round about me;

Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy upon me and answer me.

My heart tells of your word, 'Seek my face.' Your face, Lord, will I seek.

Psalm 27.1-10

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Christians in Corinth:

Now I appeal to you, sisters and brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in

the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my sisters and brothers. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians

1.10-18

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom, and healed those who were sick. **Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending

their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

Matthew 4.12-25

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

PRAYERS

Anglican Church: Christ Church Brunswick (Lindsay Urwin OGS, Jack Lindsay, Russell Goulbourne); The Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of La Trobe (Gavin Ward); The Church of North India (United);

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For the sick & in need, and those who have ongoing need for strength, courage and peace of heart, mind and soul in their journey: Alan Y, Kathie M, Keiran & Paul, Fiona T, Sally N, John B, Deirdre B, Jenny S, Jane & Peter M, George F, Boris Z, Pauline R, Lorraine D, Ray & Marion W, Ray M, Jim H, Nan L, Marilyn, Margaret V, Peggy F, Mary & Ian S and those known to us in need of our prayers.

Year's Mind

22nd John Boyd (1967)

24th Jean Wilson (2020), Naumai Muir (2020)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

23rd Jane Threadgold