

Notices

JAZZ CONCERT

A Jazz Concert will be held in the hall on the **30th April at 2.00pm**. Tickets are **\$15** per head which includes Afternoon Tea and are on sale from **Beverley Gilbert or Eileen Comber**. Tables of 10 or varied to suit your needs.

Come along and have an enjoyable afternoon.

Volunteers needed to help with the offering counting following the 10 am service. Please speak to Stephen Smith or Joy Mitchelmore.

Prayer requests –Beth Gibbs.

Prayers of the people

- Peta Foote is in Epworth Eastern hospital recovering from a knee replacement. Pls pray for healing, pain relief and the challenging recovery and rehabilitation which follows this surgery.
- For Des Nelson who is in the Box Hill hospital ICU. He has had a cardiac arrest and has an infection which is being treated. Pls pray for God's care of Des and Joy at this time, for their children and God's peace in a time of uncertainty.
- Please pray for healing for Lillian following an operation on neck gland.
- Beth Gibbs who is now recovering at home from having a knee replacement
- For Des Andrews who has a leg ulcer which is persistently refusing to respond to treatment.
- For Peter Phyland and Trish as Peter receives on going care for his cancer.
- Pray for Des Melder for renewed strength and as he continues to undertake further medical tests.

Please pray for the work of Michael, Melanie & Aaron Viljoen – Wycliffe Bible Translators. And also for the ministry of Rev. Anne & Noel Nixon – BCA, Qld.

Welcome to St Edward's

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the date when the Reformation began. Martin Luther, then an Augustinian monk and teacher in the church in Wittenberg, Germany, nailed 95 'theses' or theological views on the Wittenberg Cathedral door. He expected a good theological debate over a beer (it is Germany remember). Instead, he unleashed a movement which has continued to this day in both the Roman Catholic and Protestant Churches.

At the heart of Luther's 95 protests (from which the word Protestantism is derived), was that a person is reconciled to God and declared right in God's standing, by faith in the death and resurrection of Christ alone. The religious works which a person might perform do not change their standing before God, nor change their nature. Luther looked to Romans 1:17 in particular, but also passages like that we read this morning from Rom 5:1-11. It is only by faith, trusting in what Christ has done on our behalf, that enables us to have our sin dealt with – and God himself put Christ forward as the means to procure this salvation. It is a fantastic demonstration of God's love (Rom 5:8). This declaration by God gives us the deep assurance that we are accepted by God and nothing and no one can take this from us. For this reason, we rejoice.

St Edward's Anglican Church

3rd Sunday of Lent

19th March 2017

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Verse of the day

"God demonstrates his love for us in this: while we still sinners,
Christ died for us."

(Romans 5:8)

Prayer of the day

**Almighty God,
we confess that we have no power
of ourselves to help ourselves:
keep us outwardly in our bodies
and inwardly in our souls,
that we may be defended from all adversities
that may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

*(An Australian Prayer Book, The Third Sunday in Lent, [BCP, Lent
2], p. 196.)*

8 AM. Holy Communion, 1st Order, APBA, p.101)

Readings

New Testament	Rom 5:1-11	(p. 1132)
Psalm	95	(APBA, p. 322)
Gospel	John 4:5-42	(p. 1066)

Hymns

499 (Tune: 601) "Lord Jesus, joy of loving hearts"

585 "I heard the voice of Jesus say"

MP 757 "When peace like a river" (OHP)

10 AM Prayer, Praise and Proclamation (APBA, p. 35)

Praise and Thanksgiving to God

Welcome, Verse of the Day and verses of scripture (Sitting)

Thanksgiving prayer (OHP) (APBA, 36)

Song: 228 "Crown him with many crowns (Vss 1-4, 6)"

Ministry of the Word

New Testament	Rom 5:1-11	(p. 1132)
Psalm	95	(APBA, p. 322)
Gospel	John 4:5-42	(p. 1066)
Affirmation of faith		(APBA, p. 37)
The Sermon		

Song: 585 "I heard the voice of Jesus say"

Confession of sin

Confession and Absolution (OHP)	(APBA p. 38)
Declaration of God's forgiveness	(APBA p. 39)
Assurance of God's forgiveness	(APBA, p. 39)

Ministry of prayer + Lord's Prayer (APBA p. 40)

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Sending out of God's people (OHP) (APBA p. 40)

Song: MP 757 "When peace like a river"

Benediction (APBA, p. 40)