

Notices

Don't forget: the Fall Prevention Exercises Classes continue each Monday afternoon at 3.30pm with gentle exercise routines. All welcome to join at any time with a highly qualified and experienced trainer. Fee is \$40 per month. Please speak to Alan Gibbs for any further details.

The Bible studies will continue on Tuesday evening and also Thursday mornings following the Thursday morning communion service.

Prayer requests –Beth Gibbs.

Prayers of the people

- Estelle has now returned home but will continue with out-patient physiotherapy.
- For Trish Phyland following the loss of Peter and his recent funeral.
- For Des Andrews whose ulcer on his leg has flared up again.
- Please give thanks and praise that Liz Helmond's brother has had a good report from the doctor following the surgery on his lungs.
- For Jenny Lynch's father who has had surgery for his lungs and is recovering.
- For Pauline Robertson who is now at home recovering from gastroenteritis.
- For the Alison Jessup, the niece of Katrina Foulds who has been diagnosed with cancer.
- For Peta Foote's daughter Lorna who has developed lung cancer.

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.

Sermon notes continued: But this time, it will be different. They worship him (Matt 28:16-17), but now they are directed by Jesus to go into the world to bear witness to the living reality that he is divine and the King over heaven and earth. In other words, he is worthy of our worship and that all other rulers and Caesar, are not and their claims of power and authority are false.

Welcome to St Edward's

It must have been tough following Jesus around in his ministry. He has sent his disciples away following the feeding of the 5000 (Matt 14:22-33), and they have set out on Lake Galilee only to be buffeted by wind and choppy waves all night long. When Jesus appears just before dawn, they take him to be a ghost and this, with the trial of the wind and waves, adds to their fear (14:26). Jesus greets them to assure them it is him – and Peter takes his well-known walk on the water only to sink, almost without trace except that Jesus drags him up again.

Then Jesus and Peter climb into the boat. An eerie calm descends on the boat – the wind has dropped suddenly. The disciples eyes begin to dart across to each other looking for answers and back to the person now in the boat with them. Uncomfortable feelings are barely kept suppressed. Who is this in the boat with them? They know Jesus 'the rabbi', the man who is curiously unlike others, but so down to earth; the man who has confirmed he is superior to Moses, the messiah who has fed the crowd in the wilderness. But the conviction is pushing its way up to their consciousness: he controls the spirit world and the creation – even storms. They give way to all their objections and worship him and confess he is the Son of God. They now see what the wise men from the East saw when they visited the infant Jesus, whom they believe is 'born the king of the Jews' (Matt 2:2). They have come to worship him and recognise his divine authority and nature. At the end of Matthew's gospel, following the resurrection, the response by his disciples will again be to worship him.

St Edward's Anglican Church

**10th Sun after Pentecost
13th August 2017**

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Verse of the day

“They cried out in fear, but Jesus spoke to them and said, ‘Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid’.”

(Matthew 14:26-27)

Prayer of the day

**Mighty God and ruler of all creation,
give new strength to our faith,
that we may recognise your presence
even when all hope seems lost.
Help us to face all trials with serenity
as we walk with Christ through the stormy seas of life
and come at last to your eternal peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

Readings

New Testament	Romans 10:1-15	(p. 1137)
Psalm	105:1-22	(APBA, 332)
Gospel	Matthew 14: 22-36	(p. 981)

Hymns

OHP “Trust and obey”
126 “God moves in a mysterious way”
569 “Guide me O thou great Redeemer”

10 AM (Holy Communion, 2nd Order, APBA, p.119)

Gathering in God’s name

Verse of the Day

Hymn: 161 “Tell out my soul”

Prayer of Preparation

(APBA, p, 119)

Prayer of the Day

Ministry of the Word

New Testament	Romans 10:1-15	(p. 1137)
Psalm	105:1-22	(APBA, 332)
Gospel	Matthew 14: 22-36	(p. 981)
Sermon		
The Nicene Creed		(APBA, p. 123)

Hymn: 619 “Have faith in God” (Tune: 234 ‘Carlisle’)

Prayers of the people & the Lord’s Prayer (p. 124)

Confession and Absolution

Prayer of Approach	(p. 125)
Confession	(p. 126)
Absolution and Greeting of peace	(p. 127)

Hymn: 246 “Christ is the world’s light”

Holy Communion - Common Worship: Eucharistic prayer E (OHP)
Prayer after communion: p. 143, (b).

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Hymn: 569 “Guide me O thou great Redeemer”

Sending out of God’s people.