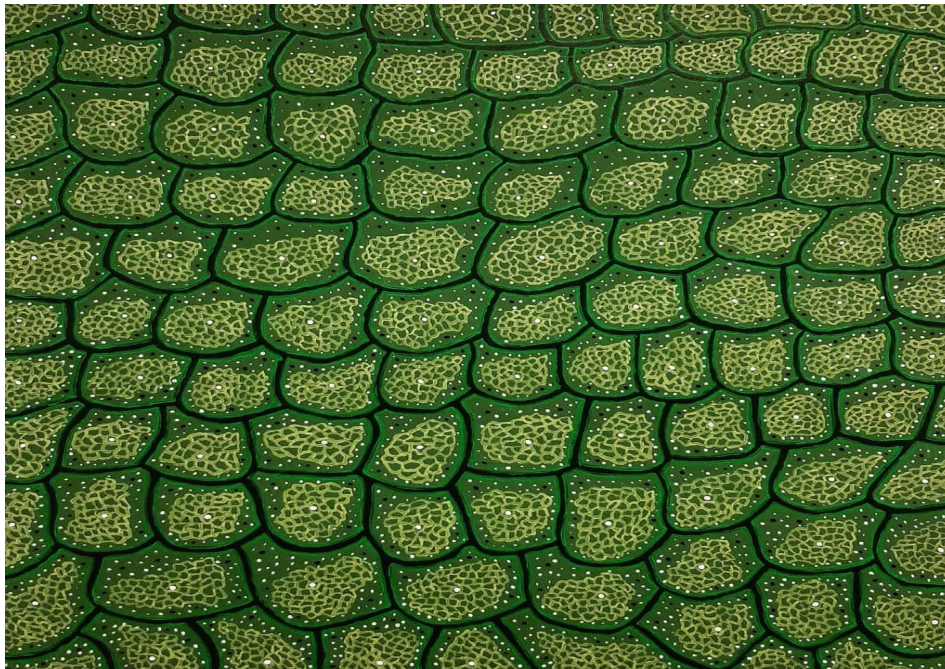




**Anglican Parish of Kilmore,
Broadford, Pyalong and Tallarook**

Sunday 19th September 2021

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Season of Creation:



*As we gather in prayer today, we acknowledge the Taungurung people who are the traditional custodians of this land. We pay respects to the past and present Elders of the Kulin nation and extend that respect to any Aboriginals present. Welcome to all, especially, to newcomers and visitors. **Please check in with the QR code provided. Please observe social distance and sanitise your hands on entering and when you leave the church. Please have your mask on during the service and remove only on receiving communion.** Our service starts on page 119 of *A Prayer Book for Australia**

Hymns: 156; 155; 175; 106

Sentence: Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all. *Mark 9.35*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Call to worship

Creator, you bent the earth like a bow until it was one, round, shining planet. At your word the land was drawn into mountains and deserts, forests and plains; the waters were gathered together into rivers, lakes and seas. Many times, when people crossed these seas from other lands, they broke the circle of your creation by their greed and violence, and they shattered the lives of others. Creator, renew the circle of the earth and turn the hearts of all people to one another; that they and all the earth may live and be drawn toward you through the power of your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit in the circle of the Trinity, forever One.

(Kelly Sherman Conroy, Evangelical Lutheran Church)

Act of Penitence

Lord Jesus Christ, the firstborn of creation, in whom all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

You who are before all things and in whom all things hold together, the head of the church, Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

In you all the fullness of God dwells and through you God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things in heaven and on earth, Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Col. 1:15-20

Assurance of Forgiveness

God who in His wisdom sent us Jesus Christ as an offering for our sins, once and for all, forgive us our sins and restore through the cross of Christ our relationship with himself, with each other and with all of creation. **Amen**

COLLECT

God of the living earth You called us to be part of your beloved community, baptised into one family through the sacred waters of life called to care together for your world. Guide as we work to sustain our common home. Help us to find the path to living in peace and harmony with all your creatures united by the divine dance of the Trinity. **Amen**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Proverbs Chapter 31.10 – 31

¹⁰ A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. ¹¹ The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. ¹² She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. ¹³ She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. ¹⁴ She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. ¹⁵ She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. ¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. ¹⁷ She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. ¹⁸ She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. ¹⁹ She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. ²⁰ She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. ²¹ She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. ²² She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. ²³ Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. ²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. ²⁵ Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. ²⁶ She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. ²⁷ She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. ²⁸ Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: ²⁹ ‘Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.’ ³⁰ Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. ³¹ Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow each reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 1

Sung / Said: The Lord cares for the way of the righteous

¹ Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly: nor followed the way of sinners, nor taken their seat amongst the scornful. ² But their delight is in the law of the Lord: and on that law will they ponder day and night. ³ They are like trees planted beside streams of water: that yield their fruit in due season. **The Lord cares for the way of the righteous**

⁴ Their leaves also shall not wither: and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper. ⁵ As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: they are like the chaff which the wind scatters. ⁶ Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement: nor sinners in

the congregation of the righteous. ⁷ For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish. **The Lord cares for the way of the righteous**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of James Chapter 3.1 –12

¹ Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ² For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³ If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴ Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵ So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶ And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷ For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸ but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰ From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹ Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹² Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! **Alleluia, Alleluia!**

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark chapter 9.30 – 37

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, ‘The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being

killed, he will rise again.’³² But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.³³ Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, ‘What were you arguing about on the way?’³⁴ But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, ‘Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.’³⁶ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,³⁷ ‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Silence may follow each reading.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Affirmation of faith

We have faith in One God, one Source of all life. One Ground of the whole earth, with all her creatures. We have faith in the fullness of earth’s life, in the innate worth of all her dependents, in human partnership in the life of nature.

We have faith that in Christ we have been shown the special role of the human race to bear God’s likeness in working and caring for the earth, in seeking to understand her mysteries and powers, in gently working with these powers for the well-being of all children of the earth. We have faith that God’s Spirit will lead us to sensitive closeness with earth’s life. (*ECEN*)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray: Creator God, we thank you for your word, the word that was with you at the creation of the world, the word that went forth from you and created light and separated it from the darkness, creating land and separating it from the waters, giving life every creature and calling us to be the carers of all you created. We thank you for Jesus, the promised Messiah, who came to earth as the word made flesh and taught us how to live. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We acknowledge before you that we haven’t always lived up to our calling to be stewards of your gifts. Forgive us for our lack of care that has caused pollution of the land, sea and air. Forgive us for our greed that has caused the over-use of water, the extinction of insects, birds, fish and animals, the burning of forests and the exploitation of people. Forgive our love for war and violence through which we have disrupted countries, displaced people, poached animals and caused devastation for the earth. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We ask your blessings on the leaders of our country, Scott Morrison our Prime Minister and Daniel Andrews, our Premier, the ministers of your word and sacrament, Philip, our Archbishop and Clarence, our Bishop and the faithful here gathered. May we be channels of your grace and companions in your transformation in the world. We thank you for teachers of the faith who remind us of your grace and your love for us. For teachers in places of learning who help us understand your wisdom in creation and open for us new ways of knowing you and praising you. We thank you for homes and institutions that teach values of love, fairness and godly living and for all who pass on the story of your salvation from one generation to another. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We bring before you all who suffer; the sick, the homeless, the unemployed and the lonely. Help us find ways to bring nourishment to the people and places that seek it. We pray especially for Elaine Haddock, Belinda Shannon, Sharron de Battista, Jim Chatz, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Chilcott, Beryl Kirby, Tom Scrivens, Geoff Kirby, Fiona Mctier, Robert Whalley, Candice Pearce, Gail Piechowiak, Russel Taylor, Shirley Wigg, Kate Jessup and Vince Fazio ... [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer.*] Teach us and show us the way. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those with whom we shared our lives and now have passed beyond our vision. William Bannon, Robert Green, Margaret Moore (19th); Percy Richardson, Clarrie Berry, Lorna Christensen (21st); Geoffrey Stimson, Violette Downes, Donald Graham (22nd); Janette Coram (23rd); Albert Mooney, Beryl Sheppard (25th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** God our lover and our Beloved, we give you thanks that in death, as in life, you long to draw us to yourself; open our hearts to respond to your insistent call. We ask these things through Christ who loves us and the Holy Spirit who empowers us. **Amen**

It is the custom of our church to invite all baptised communicant members of other Christian traditions to share the bread of the Lord's Supper with us. Non-Communicants are invited to come and receive a blessing.

Notices:

Monday 20th September OP Shop committee Meeting at Church-house at 12.30 pm.

Parish Council meeting Wednesday 20th October 2021 at 7.30pm at Kilmore.

Direct Debit /EFT Offerings – Account details: BENDIGO BANK – Account Name ‘Anglican Parish of Kilmore’; BSB 633-000; Account Number 158946921. Reference: Offertory

PARISH DIARY [Regular Meetings and Events]

3rd Tues of the month: St Matthew’s Friendship Group. Gavan Hall 1.30pm
 contact Edie Simpson ph. 5784 1246 for details.

3rd Wednesday of the month: Parish Council meeting at 7.30pm 18th August at Kilmore.

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 20th September 10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop: Trading, Drop off
 12.30pm – Op Shop Committee meeting

Wednesday 22nd September 2.30pm – Res Eucharist at Dianella RACF

Thursday 23rd September 10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew’s Broadford
 10.00am – 12.00 Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting

Friday 24th September 10.30am – Res Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF
 10.00am – 04.00pm Op shop: Trading

Saturday 25th September 10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 26th September: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Esther 7.1 – 6, 9 – 10, 20 – 22; Ps 124; James 5.12 – 20; Mark 9.38 – 50		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthew’s, Broadford	11.00am	No Service
St Stephen’s, Tallarook	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
Transfiguration, Pyalong	until	Further Notice

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 48	Ps 49
20 th September	1Kings 13.1 – 19	Job 21.1 – 16
	Matthew 6.16 – 24	Ephesians 4.17 – 28
Tuesday	Ps 50	Ps 119.41 – 64
21 st September	1Kings 13.20 – 34	Job 21.17 – 34
	Matthew 6.25 – 7.5	Ephesians 4.29 – 5.5
Wednesday	Ps 51	Ps 52; 53

22 nd September	1Kings 14.1 – 18	Job 22.1 – 22
	Matthew 7.6 – 23	Ephesians 5.6 – 20
Thursday	Ps 54; 55.1 – 12	Ps 55.13 – 15, 18 – 28
23 rd September	1 Kings 14.19 – 15.8	Job 22.23 – 23.17
	Matthew 7.24 – 8.4	Ephesians 5.21 – 33
Friday	Ps 56; 57	Ps 60; 61
24 th September	1 Kings 15.9 – 24	Job 24.1 – 17
	Matthew 8.5 – 22	Ephesians 6.1 – 9
Saturday	Ps 62; 63	Ps 64; 67
25 th September	1 Kings 15.25 – 16.7	Job 24.18 – 25.6
	Matthew 8.23 – 34	Ephesians 6.10 – 24

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