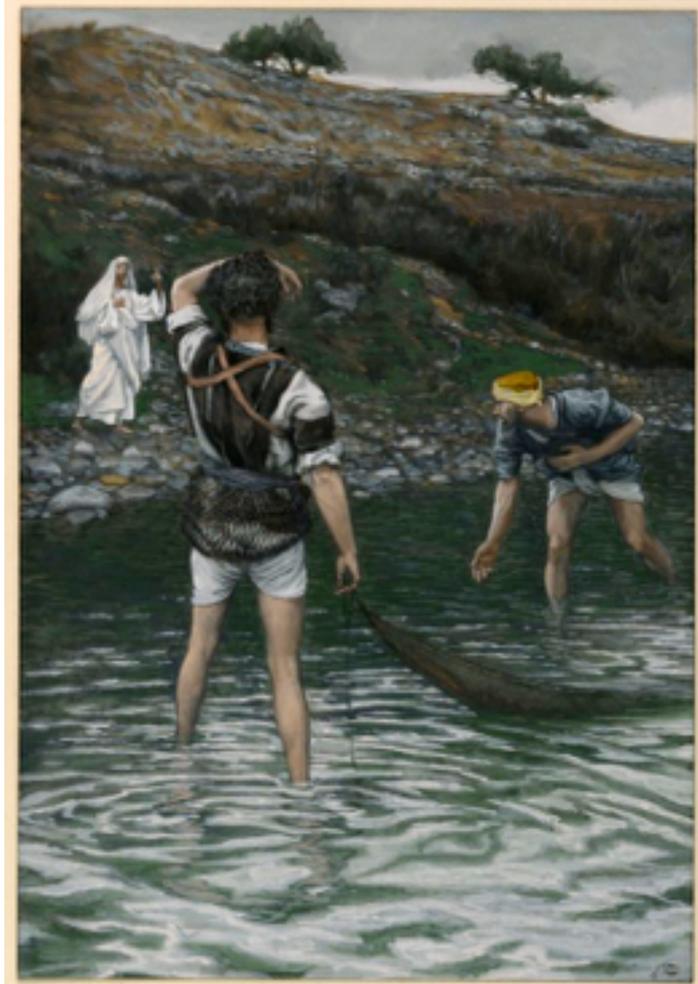


The Anglican Church of Australia
Diocese of Wangaratta
The Parish of Kilmore
with Broadford, Pyalong & Tallarook
7th February 2016

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Hymns: 242, 693, 658, 589

A warm welcome to everyone, please stay and enjoy hospitality after the service.



The calling of Peter and Andrew by James Tissot, 19th century

Introit Hymn from the red Hymn Book

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace

The Liturgy continues on page 119 green Prayer Book

SENTENCE

I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. *John 8.12*

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

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

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

THE COLLECT

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 6.1-8

[Jeremiah is called to be a prophet, and God explains God's knowledge of Jeremiah from his conception, and God's message for Jeremiah to preach. Note both the "yes" and the "no" in the message Jeremiah is given.]

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: with two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.' At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. 'Woe to me!' I cried. 'I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.' Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said, 'See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

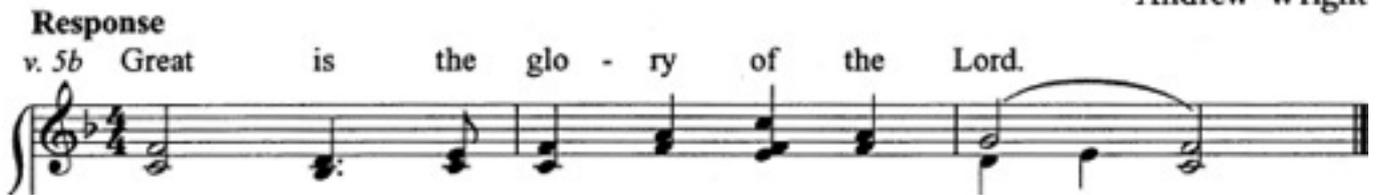
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 138

[A prayer for God to protect and be a refuge from one who has trusted and praised God since the womb.]

Response: Great is the glory of the Lord.

Andrew Wright



I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods will I sing praise to you.
I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,
because of your love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.
In the day that I called to you, you answered me;
you put new strength in my soul./R

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.
Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly;
as for the proud, he regards them from afar./R

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will preserve me;
you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand will save me.
The Lord shall make good his purpose for me;
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;
forsake not the work of your hands./R

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15.1-11

[A celebration of the noble and godly characteristics of love, which lasts forever and is the greatest of all things.]

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

Paul writes, 'Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared

to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Speak, Lord, for your servant | is listening.

You have the words of | eternal life.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 5.1-11

[After making Isaiah's statement his mandate and claiming the prophecy for himself, Jesus confronts the people of Nazareth with a "no" because, like their ancestors, they are offended by the idea that God can work in and through "outsiders" and Gentiles, and they refuse to accept the teachings of the prophets. This offends the people, and so they attempt to kill him.]

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

God of glory, the glory that is found at the bottom of the pack, where Christ Jesus is among his own; we give you thanks that you find us worthy and precious to be called your people; enlist us in your mission of love, may our prayers align with your compassion, and our deeds reflect a little of your beauty.

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, there is a long way to go before your church reflects the splendour of Jesus; bless and sustain all called to advance your cause; for those in holy orders; for Revds Christian Page and Maryann Leonard ordained priest in your Church; may they be lead by your Spirit to be a blessing to all they encounter; we pray for our parish - mirror in us that grace which creates new hope in all the earth, and draws all people to your mercy and love.

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, there is a long way to go before we can be content with our community, nation and world; we pray integrity for all called to leadership and for a growing intolerance towards injustice and greed, arrogance and cruelty, racism and sexism, political cant and religious bigotry; we pray your comfort for all who flee devastation and war; for refugees, asylum seekers and displaced persons around the world.

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, there is a long way to go before the warmth of your compassion is made real for the hungry and hurting people, the diseased and disabled, the awkward and anxious, the sorry and the sad; we pray for all struggling to survive the drought in East Africa; speed the feet and strengthen the hands of all your agents of comfort and healing.

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, we commend to you all who grieve and those in need, for those known to us and those who have requested prayer:

Chris Schafer, Glen Turnbull, Karen Goodger, Tom Scrivens, Franca Caia, Tom & Sandra Davidson, Bianca Davidson, Jenny Curry, Seth Gunter, Barbara Kaye, Sarah, Lisa, Alex Impols, Elizabeth, Mark Bennetts, Penny, Belinda Shannon, the Bott Family, Bruce Scott, Susan, Jean Evans.

We give thanks for healing and blessings wherever received.

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, as Jesus called his disciples to leave their nets and boats, and follow him; we pray for those who have answered your call and followed Jesus to your heavenly kingdom; we pray repose for the recently departed, for *Dianne Mitsakis*; we remember those who lost their lives in the 2009 bushfires, and those years mind occurring at this time;

9th Altie Horwood; 10th Henry Murray; 12th Joan Pate; 13th Rhoda Wilkie, Sidney Bryant, Herbert Holcombe.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord; **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, God of light, your searching Spirit reveals and illumines your presence in creation; you call prophets and holy men and women to proclaim your love to the world; hear as we pray for ourselves.....; shine your radiant holiness into our lives, that we may offer our hands and hearts to your work of bringing hope and salvation.

Lord, hear our prayer; **and let our lives declare your glory.**

God of glory, your love and compassion is for all who turn to you, hear these our prayers; grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive; through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray; **Our Father ...** [pg 124].

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling. May we who share in this heavenly banquet be instruments of your peace on earth, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Father ..

Reflection on the readings

The readings focus on God calling people to be something more they could ever dream. The Old Testament Lesson is the majestic text from Isaiah 6:1-8, the call of the prophet Isaiah. The Epistles from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, in alludes to his own call as an apostle (1 Corinthians 15:8). He speaks more fully of that in Galatians 1:15-16. And the Gospel reading from Luke narrates the call of the first disciples appearing, quite naturally, early on in the ministry of Jesus. Up to this point, the main events have been Jesus' baptism (3:21-22), his temptation in the wilderness (4:1-13), his inaugural sermon and rejection at Nazareth (4:16-30), and a series of healings (4:31-41). More immediately, there is a series of events that includes his going to a deserted place to be alone, his being sought out by crowds of people, and his teaching in synagogues (4:42-44). The story of the calling of the disciples opens with Jesus beside Lake Gennesaret, (the Sea of Galilee), and he begins to preach to the people. The major characters are selected and identified in a true "captain's pick" and this becomes the story of the nascent community of "people of the way" who, over time and through experience, become the founding church. When Jesus calls, Peter, as the 'everyman', is hesitant and thinks that what Jesus asks of him is both unnecessary and too demanding. Nevertheless, Peter responds, and he discovers that life has surprises in store for him. By doing what Jesus asks him to do, he experiences an epiphany of God. Peter models for all time the experience of being called and the ramifications of stepping outside the box (or out of the boat in Peter's case). God often becomes manifest in the ordinary, even seemingly unnecessary events of a person's life - events which nevertheless are in accord with some purpose that is or is not known. Throughout history the church has continued to exist and carry on its ministry in spite of the tenuous responses of its members. The ancient image of the church as a fisherman's boat tossed about on the sea, but sustained by the presence of the living Lord, is appropriate in every age.

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NOTICES

Revd Maryann Leonard's Ordination to the Priesthood - we congratulate Maryann on her call and vocation and we welcome her as a priest in our midst.

Shrove Tuesday Liturgy next Tuesday has been cancelled.

Lenten Study commences 7.30pm this Tuesday at 13 The Parade, Broadford; we will be sharing pancakes, please bring

Ash Wednesday Liturgy will be offered 10am at St Matthews and 7.30pm Christ Church.

Monthly Parish BBQs next Sunday 14th February 12.30pm at Caroline Burge's home 20 Chrystobel Way.

Bunnings Craigieburn BBQ Sausage Sizzle Saturday 27th February - A key fundraiser and volunteers still needed for cooking, serving and cashier; 2 hours slots available 8am - 4pm - please contact Robyn Whitehouse to reserve your slot. It is a great day and lots of fun.

Direct Debit Offerings - Parish Account details: CBA Account Name 'Kilmore Anglican Parish'. BSB 063-698. Account Number 1018 4649.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 9th Feb	7.30pm	Lenten Study	13 The Parade Broadford
Wednesday 10th Feb	10.00am	Ash Wednesday Service	St Matthews
	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Service	Christ Church
Sunday 14th Feb	12.30pm	Parish BBQ	20 Chrystobel Way, Kilmore
Tuesday 23rd Feb	7.30pm	Lenten Study	13 The Parade Broadford
Saturday 27th Feb	8am-4pm	Bunnings BBQ	Craigieburn
Tuesday 8th March	7.30pm	Lenten Study	13 The Parade Broadford
Sunday 13th March		Harvest Festival / Commitment Sunday	
	12.30pm	Parish BBQ	Whitehouse's
Sunday 20th March		Palm Sunday	
Mon-Wed 21-23 March		Holy Week	
Thursday 24th March	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Liturgy	Christ Church
Friday 25th March		Good Friday	
Sunday 27th March		Easter Day	

Parish life this week

- Tuesday 9th 12.30pm Area Dean's meeting Benalla
7.30pm Lenten Study 13 The Parade Broadford
- Wednesday 10th 10.00am Ash Wednesday Liturgy St Matthews
7.30pm Ash Wednesday Liturgy Christ Church
- Thursday 11th 10.00am Eucharist, St Matthew's Broadford
10.00am Eucharist, Willowmeade
11.30am Eucharist Caladenia
4.00pm Eucharist, Dianella
- Friday 12th 10.00am - 4.00pm Op Shop, Church House
- Saturday 13th 10.00am - 12.30pm Op Shop, Church House

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

14th February 2016 – First Sunday in Lent

Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Ps 91.1-2, 9-16; Romans 10.4-13; Luke 4.1-15

Christ Church	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthews	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Stephens	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
Transfiguration	4.00pm	No service this day

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