

# ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

Sydney Square



## Trinity Sunday

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
10.30am

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**Preacher:** The Reverend Jonathan Adams

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## Welcome to St Andrew's Cathedral!

We're glad that you've joined us today. As a church, we meet together to hear God speak through his word, the Bible. We sing and pray to encourage each other and bring glory to Jesus.

If you don't belong to a church of your own, we'd love you to join us regularly or help you find a church near where you live.

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## Important information

1. **If you feel unsafe** at any time, please let a staff member or usher know immediately.
2. Never leave your bags or other personal possessions **unattended**.
3. Please **no photographs/ video to be taken** during a church service without permission.
4. If children become unsettled, our **Parents' Room** is located adjacent the North Door (Town Hall side). A video feed of the service is provided.

#### **Toilets** (including accessible):

- by the North Door (Town Hall side)
- downstairs in Dean Cowper Hall - accessed from rear of Cathedral, using stairs or lift.

#### **Prayer Needs**

1. If you would like *personal prayer*; Visit [www.SydneyHeal.com](http://www.SydneyHeal.com), clicking on the 'pray for me' tab.
2. A Prayer (Healing) Service is held at 6pm Wednesdays in the Cathedral.

## Becoming or growing as a Christian

If you would like to speak to someone about becoming a Christian or have any questions about Christianity, please speak to a Minister after the Service or use the contact information to reach us.

More information about Christianity may be found at [twowaystolive.com](http://twowaystolive.com)

### **Believer's Prayer**

Dear God, I know that I am not worthy to be accepted by you. I am guilty of rebelling against you and ignoring you. Thank you for sending Jesus to die for me; paying my debt and bearing my punishment that I may be forgiven. Please forgive me and change me that I may live with Jesus as my ruler. *Amen*.

## THE WORD AND THE PRAYERS

### Organ Prelude

### Scripture Sentence

"...the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring – not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham." Romans 4:16

### Hymn

### Holy, Holy, Holy

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| 1 Holy, holy, holy,<br>Lord God almighty!<br>early in the morning<br>our song shall rise to thee;<br>Holy, holy, holy! –<br>merciful and mighty,<br>God in three persons,<br>blessed Trinity.                     | 3 Holy, holy, holy!<br>Though the darkness hide thee,<br>though the sinful human eye<br>thy glory may not see,<br>only thou art holy,<br>there is none beside thee<br>perfect in power,<br>in love and purity. |
| 2 Holy, holy, holy!<br>All the saints adore thee<br>casting down their golden crowns<br>around the glassy sea;<br>cherubim and seraphim falling<br>down before thee:<br>God from of old<br>who evermore shall be! | 4 Holy, holy, holy,<br>Lord God almighty!<br>all thy works shall praise thy name,<br>in earth and sky and sea:<br>Holy, holy, holy! –<br>merciful and mighty<br>God in three persons,<br>blessed Trinity.      |

Words: Richard Heber (1783-1826)  
Music: 'Nicea', John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

## **Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness**

We have come together to meet with God and to take our part in the building of his church. Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. Let us acknowledge our failure to serve him as he deserves, and return to the Lord with repentance and faith, praying together,

**Heavenly Father,  
you have loved us with an everlasting love,  
but we have often gone our own way,  
and rejected your will for our lives.  
We are sorry for our sins  
and turn away from them.  
For the sake of your Son who died for us,  
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.  
By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you,  
and to please you in every way,  
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love towards those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

### **Trinity Sunday**

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and by your divine power to worship you as One: we humbly pray that you would keep us steadfast in this faith and evermore defend us from all adversities; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **Anthem**

## **If ye love me**

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, That He may abide with you forever; E'en the Spirit, e'en the Spirit, e'en the Spirit, the Spirit, the Spirit of Truth. And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.*

*Words: John 14:15-18*

*Music: Philip Wilby (b.1949)*

*At this time, children may leave for Cathedral Kids. Trained leaders will meet them at the rear of the Cathedral.*

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

### **Prayer for the reading**

Heavenly Father, give us faith to receive your word, understanding to know what it means, and the will to put it into practice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Bible Reading**

### **Genesis 15**

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After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: 'Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.' <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, 'Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?' <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, 'You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.' <sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him: 'This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.' <sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, 'Look up at the sky and count the stars – if indeed you can count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your offspring be.' <sup>6</sup> Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness. <sup>7</sup> He also said to him, 'I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.' <sup>8</sup> But Abram said, 'Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I shall gain possession of it?' <sup>9</sup> So the LORD said to him, 'Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.' <sup>10</sup> Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. <sup>11</sup> Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away. <sup>12</sup> As the sun was setting, Abram fell

into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD said to him, 'Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and ill-treated there. <sup>14</sup> But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterwards they will come out with great possessions. <sup>15</sup> You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age. <sup>16</sup> In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure.' <sup>17</sup> When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking brazier with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. <sup>18</sup> On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates – <sup>19</sup> the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, <sup>20</sup> Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, <sup>21</sup> Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites.'

*At the conclusion of the reading:* This is the word of the Lord.

*Congregational response:* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Anthem**

## **I saw the Lord**

*I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings: with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.*

*O Trinity! O Unity! Be present as we worship thee, and with the songs that angels sing unite the hymns of praise we bring. Amen.*

*Words: Isaiah 6:1-4*

*Music: Music: Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)*

<sup>11</sup> When Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. <sup>12</sup> For before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group. <sup>13</sup> The other Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, so that by their hypocrisy even Barnabas was led astray. <sup>14</sup> When I saw that they were not acting in line with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of them all, 'You are a Jew, yet you live like a Gentile and not like a Jew. How is it, then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs?' <sup>15</sup> We who are Jews by birth and not sinful Gentiles <sup>16</sup> know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified. <sup>17</sup> 'But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we Jews find ourselves also among the sinners, doesn't that mean that Christ promotes sin? Absolutely not! <sup>18</sup> If I rebuild what I destroyed, then I really would be a law-breaker. <sup>19</sup> 'For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. <sup>20</sup> I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. <sup>21</sup> I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!'

*At the conclusion of the reading:* This is the word of the Lord.

*Congregational response:* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Preface to the Apostles' Creed on Trinity Sunday, 2024**

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

Deuteronomy 6:4–5

No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known. John 1:18

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:17–18

Brothers and sisters, this is the faith of the universal Church: we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in unity. The truth of Scripture compels us to confess that each person of the Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – is God and Lord. But we are forbidden from saying that there are three Gods and three Lords.

We must also believe rightly in the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is both God and man. Yet Jesus is not two persons, but one Christ. So, there is one God and one mediator between God and humanity, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people.

Unless we truly and firmly hold to this faith, we cannot be saved.

For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

*Athanasian Creed*; 1 Timothy 2:5–6; Ephesians 4:5–6



## **The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**TEACHING THE FAITH**

**Sermon**

The Reverend Jonathan Adams

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**Genesis 15 Promises Confirmed**

## Hymn

## Speak, O Lord

- 1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you  
to receive the food of your holy word.  
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
all your purposes for your glory.
  
- 2 Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
holy reverence, true humility;  
test our thoughts and our attitudes  
in the radiance of your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see  
your majestic love and authority.  
Words of power that can never fail  
let their truth prevail over unbelief.
  
- 3 Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
that will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,  
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built  
and the earth is filled with your glory.

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## **PRAYING FOR GOD'S WORLD**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
are yours, now and forever. Amen**

### **Prayers**

### **GOING OUT TO SERVE**

### **Community News**

## Hymn

## The God of Abram praise

- 1 The God of Abram praise  
who reigns enthroned above;  
the ancient of eternal days  
and God of Love!  
The Lord, the great I AM,  
by earth and heaven confessed -  
we bow before his holy name  
for ever blessed.
- 2 To him we lift our voice  
at whose supreme command  
from death we rise to gain the joys  
at his right hand:  
we all on earth forsake -  
its wisdom, fame, and power;  
the God of Israel we shall make  
our shield and tower.
- 3 Though nature's strength decay,  
and earth and hell withstand,  
at his command we fight our way  
to Canaan's land:  
the water's deep we pass  
with Jesus in our view,  
and through the howling wilderness  
our path pursue.
- 4 He by his name has sworn -  
on this we shall depend,  
and as on eagles' wings upborne  
to heaven ascend:  
there we shall see his face,  
his power we shall adore,  
and sing the wonders of his grace  
for evermore.
- 5 There rules the Lord our King,  
the Lord our righteousness,  
victorious over death and sin,  
the prince of peace:  
on Zion's sacred height  
his kingdom he maintains,  
and glorious with his saints in light  
for ever reigns.
- 6 Triumphant hosts on high  
give thanks eternally  
and 'Holy, holy, holy' cry,  
'great Trinity!'  
Hail Abraham's God and ours!  
one mighty hymn we raise,  
all power and majesty be yours  
and endless praise!

*Words: Daniel ben Judah Paraphrase: Thomas Olivers (1725-1799)  
Music: 'Leoni', Meyer Lyon (1751-1797)*

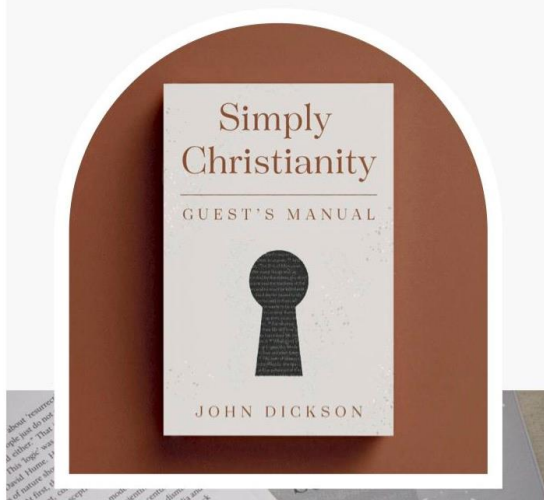
## Final Prayer

Lord God, we rejoice in your greatness and power, your patience and love, your mercy and justice. Enable us by your Spirit to honour you in our thoughts, words and actions, and to serve you in every aspect of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**

*Please remember to validate your car park ticket at the machine by the North door.*

## A short course for the curious



## Simply Christianity

Been attending church without ever quite 'getting it'? Want to brush up on the basics of Christian belief? Or maybe you have an interested friend.

Then come yourself or bring your friend to *Simply Christianity* at St Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney.

*Simply Christianity* is a 5 week course, based on the Gospel of Luke, done by thousands of Aussies. Participants are **not** asked to read or pray aloud, but can ask as many questions as they like.

- **Onsite:** 5 Thursdays at 7:30pm, from 30<sup>th</sup> May (omitting 13 June).

In each case, we'll be done < 90 minutes!

Express your interest via:  
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Livestream | 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024

# HOPE FOR THE WEARY

—+ Revelation 1-5 —+



Join other women from St Andrew's Cathedral  
for encouragement from God's Word  
as we view the Equip Conference together

9:30am-3pm | Saturday June 22

Lower Chapter House

Cost: \$30 includes rego and lunch

We'll register as a group.

Please pay \$30 to 'St Andrews Cathedral Chapter'

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Email [karyn.grant2@gmail.com](mailto:karyn.grant2@gmail.com) to confirm your registration

RSVP: Sunday June 16

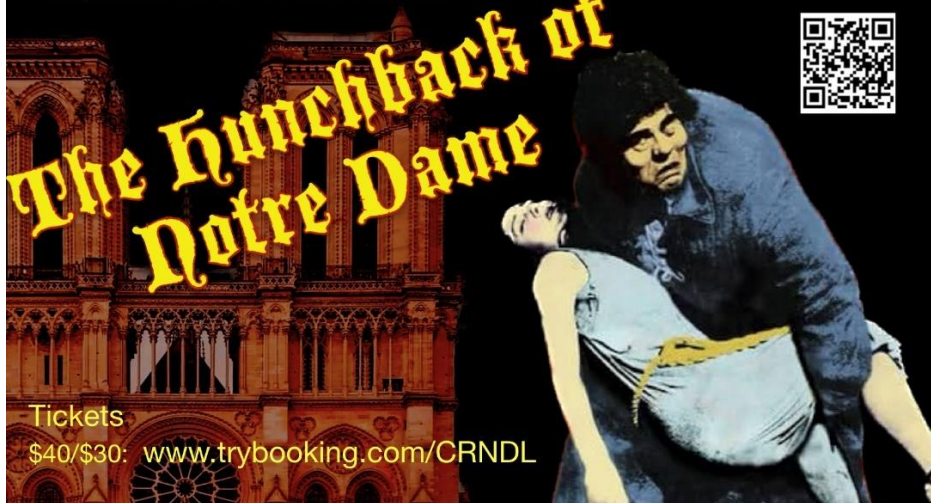
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## **Acknowledgement of Country**

As we gather in the presence of God, we acknowledge with respect the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet. In his wisdom and love, our Heavenly Father gave this land to the Gadigal people of the Eora nation (see Acts 17:26). On this land, they met for generations before the coming of British settlers.

As we now live together on these lands, we pray that God would unite us all in a knowledge of his Son, Jesus Christ, in whom and for whom all things were created.

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### WHAT'S ON during the week

#### MONDAYS

5:15pm Choral Evensong (during term)  
6pm Cathedral Bible Study  
1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Mondays

#### WEDNESDAYS

10am Women's Bible Study  
(during term)  
(including Easy English)  
5:30pm Communion (2<sup>nd</sup> Wed)  
6pm Healing Service  
7:30pm Overcomers Outreach (1<sup>st</sup> Wed)

#### THURSDAYS

10am Bible & English (during term)  
1:10pm Organ Recital (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs)  
5:15pm Choral Evensong (during term)

### SATURDAYS

9am Men's Prayer (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)  
10am Women's Prayer (3<sup>rd</sup> Sat)

### SUNDAYS

8:30am Holy Communion (1662 BCP)  
9am Bible Studies  
10:30am Morning Church  
(with children's program)  
12pm Chinese Bible Study  
3pm Bible Studies  
3:30pm Chinese Bible Study  
(Young Adults)  
5pm Cathedral Evenings Service

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