St Philip's Come & See

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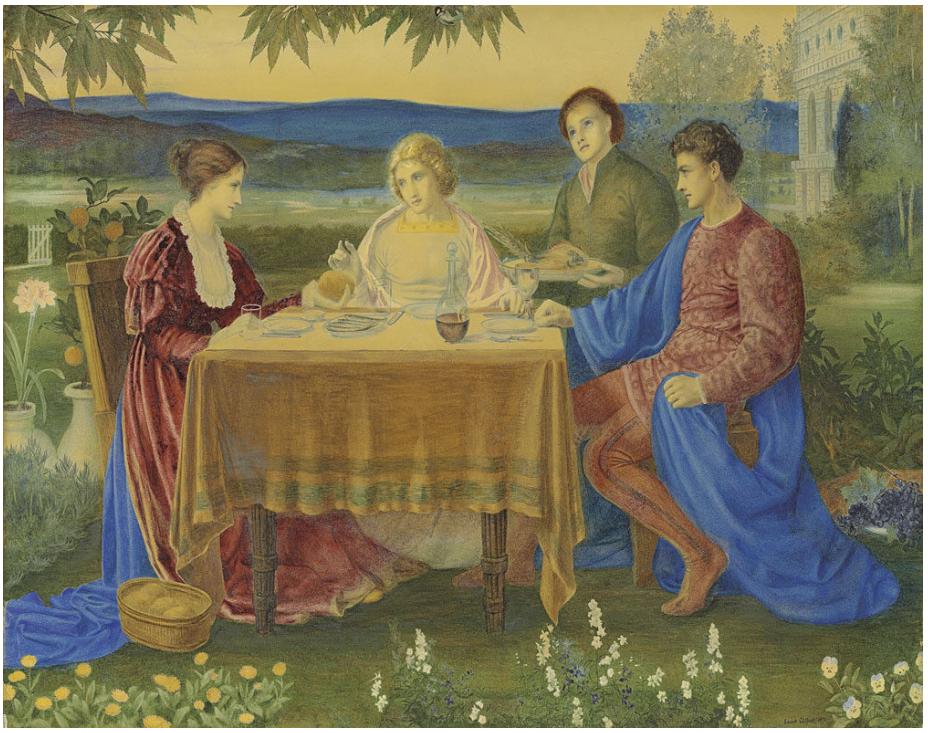
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



Some have entertained angels unaware 1871. Edward Clifford (1844-1907)

Welcome to St Philip's

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we worship, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present and emerging. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who worship with us.

St Philip's COVIDSafe Plan We are asking folk not attend church if they feel unwell, to be aware of their hand hygiene and to be mindful of social distance. Thank you. Masks are available for those who wish to wear one.

Pewsheet & Order of Service: The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition, please use your phone/tablet and follow along. Service cards, Pew Bibles and Prayer Books are also available.

Offertory: at the offertory when our gifts are brought forward, there is an opportunity for you to make your contribution. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer, you can use it before or after the service. St Philip's EFT details are also available if you would like to make a direct transfer: 702-389 05202512. Giving cards are in the foyer if you wish to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically.

Communion: if you are baptised you are welcome to receive communion, which at present is in 'one kind.' If you would like to receive a blessing please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

If you'd like to volunteer as a reader, sidesperson, welcomer, or another role on the Roster, then please email rosters@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

From the Rector

Dear Friends

Thank you to those of you who have responded to the email that was sent out during the week. Like most organisations today the Church asks of its members that they are aware of the issues of the day and how we should respond to them. I recall one of the organisations Susan was working with held 'Mandatory May' when they endeavoured to gather the staff together for training and reflection. Our Safe Ministries day is exactly the same and I hope that many folk will gather to take advantage of this opportunity. It is all about ensuring that the culture of our parish is prayerful, careful and appropriate.

Today following the 10am Eucharist we will gather together for lunch to farewell Denise Manley. Please do stay if you are able enjoy some food and fellowship and join in, in thanking Denise for her many years of ministry to our parish community.

Today has been designated by the General Synod as a day of prayer for refugees. There are few more pressing problems in our world today that the issue of refugees, those who are displaced from the homelands because of war, terrorism, oppression or climate change. We pray for them today.

Every blessing, Martin
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Eucharist for the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Introit Hymn (10am) 227 (TiS)
When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer
I know my Lord is there:
May Jesus Christ be praised

To God, the word on high
the host of angels cry:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let mortals, too, upraise
their voice in hymns of praise
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let earth's wide circle round
in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let air and sea and sky,
from depth to height reply:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, when day is past,
of all my thoughts my last,
May Jesus Christ be praised!
The night becomes the day
when from the heart we say:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this while life is mine
my song of praise divine,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this the eternal song
through all the ages long,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Anon. German, early 19th cent

Entrance Antiphon

Let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.

Hebrews 13:15

In the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you ✠ and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Kyrie eleison,
Christe eleison,
Kyrie eleison.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:
O God, you invite the humble and the sinful to take their place
in the festive assembly of the new covenant:
teach your Church always to honour the presence of the Lord
in the poor and the outcast,
so that we may learn to recognise each other
as brothers and sisters gathered together around your table.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of Proverbs 25:6-7
6 Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence

or stand in the place of the great;
7 for it is better to be told, 'Come up here',
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Psalm 112
R. Blessed are those that fear the Lord.

Alleluia. Blessed are those who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments.
Their descendants will be mighty in the land,
a generation of the faithful that will be blest. ***R.***

Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness endures for ever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
gracious and full of compassion are the righteous. ***R.***

It goes well with those who are generous in lending
and order their affairs with justice,
for they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance. ***R.***

They will not be afraid of evil tidings;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.
Their heart is sustained and will not fear,
until they see the downfall of their foes. ***R.***

They have given freely to the poor;
their righteousness stands fast for ever;
their head will be exalted with honour. ***R.***

The wicked will see it and be angry;
they shall gnash their teeth in despair;
the desire of the wicked shall perish. ***R.***

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Let mutual love continue. 2Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.
3Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. 4Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. 5Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' 6So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?'
7Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. 8Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

15Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. 16Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Gradual hymn (10am) 448 (TiS)
Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell with us in lowliness,
our pattern and our King:

still to the lowly soul
he will himself impart,

and for his cradle and his throne
chooses the pure in heart.

Lord, we your presence seek;
this blessing now renew:
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple fit for you.

John Keble 1792-1866

Gradual (8am)
Alleluia,
alleluia!
Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. *Hebrews 13:8*
Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 14:1, 7-14
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.
On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

7When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 8'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; 9and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. 10But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. 11For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' 12He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. 13But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. 14And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'
For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed
Let us affirm the faith of the church
We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People
In our prayers we remember those in need, particularly: Ben, Gage, Hugh, Sarah, David, Otto,

Bob, Noel, Ermida, Vanessa, Molly and Katherine, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital, residential or home care and those from whom we are isolated.

We pray for Raw Potential, the Outreach Workers as well as the disadvantaged young people they support. We pray that accommodation may be available for young people when they need it, and that they may have the confidence to accept the assistance that Raw Potential can provide. We pray that the Outreach Workers will be successful in making connections with disadvantaged young people so that they can help them to begin to turn their lives around. We pray that our contributions will have a positive impact on this important service.

We commend to God the recently departed, those whose anniversaries fall at this time Susan Joy Nevile, *deacon* (8/2018), John Williams (2/9/2004); the victims of war, disaster and pandemic, all whose memories are dear to us, and those who have no one to remember them.

The Greeting of Peace
We are the body of Christ.
His Spirit is with us.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn (10am) 137 (TiS)
For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Refrain:
Christ, our God, to you we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light, *Refrain*

For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight, *Refrain*

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild, *Refrain*

For each perfect gift divine
to our race so freely given,
graces all of your design,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven, *Refrain*

For the church that evermore,
lifting holy hands above,
offers up on every shore
the pure sacrifice of love, *Refrain*

Offertory
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God for ever.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise, glory and honour,
be yours at all times, in every place,
holy and loving father, true and living God.

We praise you that through your eternal Word
you brought the universe into being
and made us in your own image.

You have given us this earth to care for and delight in,
and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race
with the promises of a gracious covenant
and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all we give you thanks for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
born as one of us, he lived our common life
and offered his life to you in perfect obedience and trust.

By his death he delivered us from sin, brought us new life,
and reconciled us to you and to one another.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
with apostles, and prophets,
with holy men and women of every age,
we proclaim your great and glorious name
for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth and full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he ✠ who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine,
and we pray that we who eat and drink them
in obedience to our Saviour Christ,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
may be partakers of his body and blood,
and be made one with him and with each other
in peace and love.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Drink from this all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament,
renew us by your Holy Spirit
that we may be united in the body of your Son
and serve you as a royal priesthood
in the joy of your eternal kingdom

Receive our praises Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom and in whom,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
we worship you in songs of never-ending praise:
Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of Bread and Communion
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei
Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion Antiphon
All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Luke 14:11

The Sending out of God's People

Let us pray:
Living God,
in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
which we have heard in word and sacrament,
continue your saving work among us,
give us courage for our pilgrimage,
and bring us to the joys you promise.
Father, **we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
Send us out in the power of your spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Recessional Hymn: 690 (TiS)
Beauty for brokenness
Hope for despair
Lord, in the suffering,
This is our prayer
Bread for the children
Justice joy peace
Sunrise to sunset
Your kingdom increase

Shelter for fragile lives
Cures for their ills
Work for the craftsmen
Trade for their skills
Land for the dispossessed
Rights for the weak
Voices to plead the cause
Of those who can't speak

Refrain:
God of the poor
Friend of the weak
Give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts
Let tears fall like rain
Come change our love
From a spark to a flame

Refuge from cruel wars
Havens from fear
Cities for sanctuary
Freedoms to share
Peace to the killing fields
Scorched earth to green
Christ for the bitterness
His cross for the pain

Rest for the ravaged earth
Oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned
Our future our dreams
Lord end our madness
Carelessness greed
Make us content with
The things that we need. *Refrain*

Lighten our darkness
Breathe on this flame
Until Your justice
Burns brightly again
Until the nations
Learn of Your ways

Seek Your salvation
And bring You their praise. *Refrain*

Graham Kendrick

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Reflection – The Revd Sue Grimmett, Diocese of Southern Queensland

'Home' is a powerful word. It means belonging, safety, warmth and mutual affection; a place to lay down heavy burdens and rest. Spiritually, it also invokes the idea of the country which we long to find or the garden to which we ache to return; the place of freedom, peace, justice and human flourishing…*shalom*. Yet the reality for refugees across the globe is a long way from *shalom*. For the 65 million displaced people fleeing war and persecution across the globe, 'home' is also a political word in a time where humanity can choose to either turn its back and reinforce the national barricades or else affirm that we are indeed responsible for one another.

'Homeless' is a word of desolation and isolation. Tim Costello describes visiting the refugee camp in Bangladesh where one million Rohingya have fled from the ethnic cleansing in Myanmar. He recounts stories of racial vilification in Burma where the Rohingya are excluded as subhuman and victims of the horrific violence that occurs when the hatred of one people group becomes the glue that unites all the others. The 'us and them' narrative that feeds on fear and divides human beings against one another has horrifying consequences in this current global crisis where there are more displaced people than in any other time in history.

In Australia, the debate about refugees has continued to be conducted in an atmosphere of anxiety about so-called 'boat people' and policies that scapegoat and isolate some of the world's most vulnerable people in situations of prolonged indefinite detention. For those who leave home because home is 'the mouth of a shark', a place from which you run because your country simply 'won't let you stay', the terrifying situation of having nowhere to go and nowhere safe to return is the reality for those who have fled to Australia, including those detained on Manus and Nauru whose experience of a hopeless future is instrumentalised as a deterrent to others who may flee persecution across the oceans.

The ache to arrive somewhere, for a place again to call home even when everything you have ever known as home has been lost to you – these are desires at the heart engrained in what it means to be human, and at the centre of scriptural narratives of exodus and exile. As we gather to pray for refugees across the globe, we can recollect that Jesus was a refugee, and that scripture calls us to care for the stranger, the widow, the orphan, those without shelter or who are far from home. But we can also recognise that coming home and belonging are at the heart of Christian faith and the God revealed through Jesus the Christ breaks down the barriers that divide and invites all into kinship – with God, with one another and with all creation. It is through relationship that we learn the meaning of love and freedom, justice and peace. All such words only and ever can have meaning in the context of lived community, just as we can only begin to understand who we are in relationship with others.

News

If you would like to contribute towards the cost of flowers see Susan or use one of the envelopes in the narthex. They can be dedicated in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving and a note placed in the pew sheet.

The ministry from **St John's Care** is increasingly important in what are difficult economic times for many. Currently SJC are keen to receive donations of Shampoo, Coffee (100g), Olive oil, and tinned fruit. If you are able to assist please leave your donations in the baskets at the back of

the church. Cash donations are also appreciated, please see their website

This week @ St Philip's

Today	*Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*	
8am		**Eucharist**
10am		**Eucharist with Hymns**
Following 10am		**Farewell Lunch for Denise**
Tuesday 30 August	*Feria*	
7-9pm		Uluru Statement from the Heart – Reflection 7
Wednesday 31 August	*John Bunyan, preacher and spiritual writer (d.1688)*	
	Aidan of Lindisfarne, bishop & missionary (d.651)	
10am-12noon		Pandora's sorting & tidying
Thursday 1 September	*Feria*	
10am		**Eucharist**
Friday 2 September	*Martyrs of New Guinea (d.1942)*	
6.30pm		Youth Group
Saturday 3 September	*Gregory of Rome, bishop & teacher (d.604)*	
10am-1pm		Pandora's - OPEN
11am		**Eucharist** – Kankinya
Sunday 4 September	*Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*	
8am		**Eucharist**
10am		**Eucharist with Hymns**

Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1-25; Luke 14:25-35.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 6 September	Uluru Statement from the Heart – Reflection 8
Friday 9 September	Diocesan Synod (9-11 Sept)
Wednesday 14 Sept	Parish Council
Saturday 17 Sept	St Philip's Safe Ministries Day
Sunday 6 November	All Saints

Rosters

		28-Aug-22	**4-Sep-22**	**11-Sep-22**	
	Sunday of month	**4th**	**1st**	**2nd**	
	Liturgical Season	12th Sunday after Pentecost	13th Sunday after Pentecost	14th Sunday after Pentecost	
	Flowers	Flowers Team	Flowers Team	Flowers Team	
8am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Canon Scott		**8am**
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)				
	Sidespeople	Shane & Tim	Margaret & Russell	Alison & Alistair	
	Liturgical Assistant	Brian McK	Lisa C	Ellie P	
	1st Bible reader - OT	Shane W	Margaret M	Alison D	
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Shane W	Russel M	Alistair D	
10am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin		**10am**
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)		Rev'd Canon Scott		
	Sidespeople & Welcomer	Fred A, Janene B & Sally A	Denise M & Fred A	Helen & Hardy	
	Liturgical Assistant	Philippa W		Rebecca K	
	Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist	Colin F	Colin F	Colin F	
	1st Bible reader - OT	Lyn P	Tim G	Ann M	
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Tim G	Denise M	Fiona D	
	Morning Tea	-	Liz D	Barbara G	
	Additional details/notes	*Denise's Farewell lunch*		*Synod in Goulburn*	