

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love God, and his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord:  
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you always.  
**Amen**

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



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**Welcome to  
Yarrawonga  
Anglican  
Parish**



**4th Sunday after the Epiphany**

**29th January, 2023**

## Order of Service

### GREETING

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY: 'What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?'

THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION (remain standing)

**Almighty God, unto 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.**

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

Jesus said: 'This the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

{10.00am Sung}

**Lord have mercy.**

**Christ have mercy.**

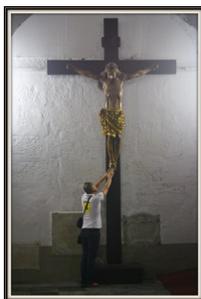
**Lord have mercy**

HYMN OF PRAISE

{10.00am sung}

**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.**



**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.**

### NOTICES



CONCLUDING HYMN {10.00am}

**Go forth and tell** (MP 178 tune: Woodlands; AHB 109)

Go forth and tell! O church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take;  
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,  
that all the world His worthy praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;  
He will in grace respond to all who call;  
how shall they call if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of His word?

Go forth and tell! Some still in darkness lie;  
in wealth or want, in sin they live and die;  
give us, O Lord, concern of heart and mind,  
and love like Yours which cares for humankind.

Go forth and tell! The doors are opened wide;  
share God's good gifts - let no one be denied;  
live out your life and Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O church of God, arise!  
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;  
go till all nations His great name adore  
and serve Him, Lord and King for evermore.

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through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father  
in songs of never ending praise:

*{10.00am sung}*

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever.  
Amen**

THE INVITATION TO 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**



*{10.00am sung}*

**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.

*(Communicant members from other churches are most welcome  
to receive Communion here. Holy Communion is by intincted  
bread. The Common Cup is available to any who wish to par-  
take of it. Raise your hands to the Eucharistic Assistant as  
they come to you. )*

POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

Let us pray.

Living God in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.  
May the power of your love, which we have known 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,

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins 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**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Found on the Reading Sheet}*

Living God, in Christ you make all things new: transform  
the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and  
in the renewal of our lives make known your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.  
**Amen**

MINISTRY OF THE WORD *{From the Reading Sheet. }*

*{10.00am: a hymn is sung before the Gospel}*

**Blest are the pure in heart** *{TiS 448}*

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 poor in heart.

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

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*(Please stand as the Gospel is read.)*

*The Gospel Acclamation {Sung 10.am}*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Rejoice and be glad;  
your reward will be great in heaven.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*{After the reading of the Gospel}*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*{Please sit for the sermon}*



**THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *{please stand}*

**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 Fa-  
ther; 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;**

glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

*{10.00am sung}*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your crea-  
tion, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your  
Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may  
be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

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.'

We proclaim the mystery of faith. *{10.00am sung}*  
**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come  
again.**

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

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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 for us the bread of heaven.

**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 for us the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation,  
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God forever.**

THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER.

*{Sung at 10.00am}*

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 him thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, ever living God.

We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour,  
Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born  
of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.  
Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the  
company of heaven, we proclaim your great and



**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**

A TIME OF PRAYER

Almighty God, we come before you to give thanks; to pray  
for the world and each other and to uphold those in need.

*{We use this prayer opportunity to not only have guided prayer but  
also to have quiet prayer; as God leads us. }*

*The Prayer Response: Lord, in your grace and mercy.*

**Hear our prayer.**

*Prayer of the departed*

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord;

**And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*{At the conclusion of our prayer time. we join in saying the Lord's  
Prayer.}*

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
taught us 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 forever. Amen.**

PREPARATION SENTENCE {Priest} 'Jesus Christ is the same  
yesterday and today and forever.'

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us affirm our trust in God's mercy, and confess that  
we need forgiveness. (A short silence for reflection.)

**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 neighbor as our-  
selves; 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**

THE ABSOLUTION

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**

THE GREETING OF PEACE (Stand)

We are the body of Christ.

**His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

(Exchange a sign of peace with those near you.)



THE THANKSGIVING HYMN {10.00am sung;}

**Praise to the Lord** [TiS 111]

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Come, all who hear;

brothers and sisters draw near  
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, above all things so wondrously reigning;  
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining:

have you not seen  
all that is needed has been  
sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper our work and defend us;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend us.

Ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
as with his love he befriends us.

Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,  
who when the godless do triumph,

our best hopes confounding;  
sheds forth his light!  
scatters the horrors of night,  
saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

All that has life and breath,

come now with praises before him.

Let the Amen

sound from his people again;  
gladly for ever adore him!

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**ASK**

*and ye shall receive*

**SEEK**

*and ye shall find*

**KNOCK**

*and it shall be opened*