



# Anglican Church of Australia

## Diocese of Gippsland

(Committed in Christ, Connecting in Service & Creative in Spirit.)

### Parish of Wonthaggi & Inverloch

St. George's,  
McBride Ave., Wonthaggi

The Church of the Ascension  
4-6 The Crescent, Inverloch

Bunurong Country

ABN: 18 842 576 826



## Vocation Sunday – 18th September

### Holy Communion



*As it is Vocation Sunday, all our readings reflect the callings*

*God has on our lives.*

*This is not only be obedient to his Word,  
but to respond to the call He has on our lives.*

*What is God calling you to be and do?*

*Do we encourage others to respond to their calling? Do we see as God sees?*

*Or like the disciples in the cartoon above, do we question God's choices?*

*....and what are the consequences of those actions?*

## Sentence

Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have come to call not the righteous but sinners. (Matthew 9:13)

## Collect

God our Father,  
you called Abraham and Moses to lead your people  
into a promised land  
and filled them with your spirit:  
raise up leaders for your Church in this generation,  
who will make your word known  
and be faithful stewards of your mysteries,  
that your people may be nourished with the word  
of life and bread of heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### Old Testament Reading

#### Proverbs 3: 1-6

**3** My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments;  
**2** for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you.  
**3** Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them round your neck,  
write them on the tablet of your heart.  
**4** So you will find favour and good repute in the sight of God and of people.  
**5** Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.  
**6** In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths

*This is the word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Psalm 19:1-6

**1** The heavens are telling the glory of  
God; **and the firmament proclaims his  
handiwork.**  
**2** Day to day pours forth speech,  
**and night to night declares knowledge.**  
**3** There is no speech, nor are there  
words;  
**their voice is not heard;**  
**4** yet their voice goes out through all the  
earth, and their words to the end of the  
world.

**In the heavens he has set a tent for the  
sun,**  
**5** which comes out like a bridegroom  
from his wedding canopy,  
**and like a strong man runs its  
course with joy.**  
**6** Its rising is from the end of the  
heavens, and its circuit to the end of  
them;  
**and nothing is hidden from its  
heat.**

## New Testament Reading:

### **Ephesians 4:1-14 Lead a life worthy of your calling**

**4** I [Paul] therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called,  
**2** with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,  
**3** making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.  
**4** There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,  
**5** one Lord, one faith, one baptism,  
**6** one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.  
**7** But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.  
**8** Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.'  
**9** (When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth?  
**10** He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.)  
**11** The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers,  
**12** to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,  
**13** until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.  
**14** We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming.

*This is the word of the Lord,*

***Thanks be to God***

## Gospel

### **Matthew 9:9-13 The Calling of Matthew**

**9** As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.  
**10** And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. **11** When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' **12** But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. **13** Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

*For the Gospel of the Lord*

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

## A New Era for the Anglican Church



With the passing of Her Royal Highness, Queen Elizabeth II, we enter a new era in the Anglican Communion. King Charles III has now become our Supreme Governor, and like his mother, he has pledged to be loyal to God, to the Anglican Communion and to all who worship in our churches. He has also pledged to look after, as head of state, all who reside in the Commonwealth, which of course includes Australia for the present. It will be no easy feat for him as his mother was a great woman of faith who loved Jesus deeply.

I encourage all to support our new sovereign by praying for him as he steps up to the plate and seeks to fill the shoes his mother wore.

In coming days Queen Elizabeth II will be laid to rest in the family vault on Windsor estate, England, so I encourage all to support each other in this time of mourning. Keep your eyes open for a condolence book that you may like to sign. I am led to believe one will be available in the district.

No doubt many of us will have fond stories to share of our close encounters with the Queen and other Royal family members.

Whether you are a monarchist, republican or undecided, there is one thing we can all agree on, and that is, she was a remarkable lady who did an extraordinary job and did it very well over 70 years. She said she would serve to her dying day and she did. I encourage all to observe this period of mourning with respect for Queen Elizabeth II, her successor King Charles III, the Queens extended family and for each other.

*Blessings to all.  
Rev. Graeme Liersch*

Below is the letter read to all last Sunday from the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby.

“Her Late Majesty was not only Queen of The United Kingdom but was also Queen and Head of State of 15 other nations - territories served by many provinces of our Anglican Communion. Through her annual Christmas messages to the Commonwealth, we heard, in her own words, Her Late Majesty’s witness to her strong Christian faith.

As Supreme Governor of the Church of England, and as a faithful Christian disciple, Her Late Majesty lived out her faith every day of her life. Her trust

in God and profound love for him was foundational in how she led her life – hour by hour, day by day.

In Her Late Majesty’s life we saw what it means to receive the gift of life we have been given by God and – through patient, humble, selfless service – share it as a gift to others.

Her Late Majesty found great joy and fulfilment in the service of her people and her God “whose service is perfect freedom”. For giving her whole life to us, and allowing her life of service to be an instrument of God’s peace among us, we owe Her Late Majesty a debt of gratitude beyond measure.

Her Late Majesty leaves behind a truly extraordinary legacy: one that is found in almost every aspect of our national life, as well as the lives of so many nations around the world, and especially in the Commonwealth.

I ask you to join me in prayers for the Royal Family, and especially for the new King.

Pray too for the people of all the countries in His Majesty’s realms and territories: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, The Bahamas, Belize, Canada, Grenada, Jamaica, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.”

## **CMS SUTS - Summer Under The Sun**

**19 - 21 January 2023**

**Bookings are now available**

***Put it in your diary today!***

## **Kid's Hope**



If you are interested in becoming a Kids Hope Mentor at the Wonthaggi Primary School please talk to Reverend Susan. You will need a children's check, current safe ministry status and the ability to commit to one hour per week in school terms for at least one year. Thank you!

## Intercessory Prayers:

**Please pray with us for:**

**Our Bishop** Richard & Leanne

**Our Rector:** Graeme & Susan

**Locum Tenens – Burnley (Dio' Melb')** - Liam Matthews & Madeline. Please keep Liam & Madeline safe as they serve for several months.

**Co-operating Parish of Neerim South:** Rev. Gospel Hrilvelthanga Ralte & Grace  
**Missions:** The Mission to Seafarers

**Diocese of Northern Territory:** Bishop Greg Anderson

**Special Focus:** Anglican Earthcare Gippsland

Acting on Climate Together in Gippsland(ACTing)

All Conservationists - our stewardship of the Earth and its Resources

Sailors and Fisherfolk

The Anglican Communion Environment Network

**Please comfort and heal all those suffering in Spirit, Soul or body,** especially those affected by the COVID 19 virus. Please give people the courage to face this pandemic head on and to be assured of their salvation in Jesus Christ.

**Please bring healing and strength to those we have been asked to pray for:**

Amy Davis, Chris Peters, Denise, James, Murray, Doug, Ron Lawson, Jeter, Beth & family, Simone, Mark, Marie Wilson, Cecily, Robin, Barb Bickley, Trish, Ross Smith, Tania, Russell, Hayley, Barbara Manns, Meredith, Richard B, Mary B, Lee, Bev, Stuart, Vladimir, Erika, Rita, Elijah, Rodney & Geoffrey W, Luke M, Terry, Emily, Ian M<sup>c</sup>Burnie, Graeme Peters, Ellen W, Elisabeth H, Portia, Vivienne, Benjamine, Robert P, Jessica, Kirk & Susannah, Glenda Peacock.

**We give thanks for the faithful departed.**

Lord please comfort families & friends who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

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## Diocesan Retreat

**21 -22 October 2022 'Praying it Forward: Emerging Hope and our Role as Ancestors of the Future' To be held at The Abbey,**

**1 - 25 First Parade, Raymond Island. Cost per person**

**Residential: \$135 twin share. Non residential: \$85.00 per person. For all bookings phone 03 5166 6580**

## Ministry Team

**Bishop:** Rt. Rev. Dr. Richard Treloar, Sale 5144 2044

**Rector:** Rev. Capt. Graeme Liersch 0417 513 390 (*Monday-Day Off*)  
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**Youth & Young Families Minister:** Rev. Susan Liersch 0427 099 391  
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**Pastoral Care Coordinator:** Rev. Anne Perryman 0438 345 349

### Parish Council +

**Retired Clergy:** Rev's Anne Perryman 0438 345 349, John Davies 5672 4710,  
Greg Jones 0402437329, Liam Matthews 0411 339 344 (Locum - Burnley),  
Amy Turner 0412 727 711

**Lay Reader:** Sue Lester 0418 529 662

**Rector's Wardens:** Alan Price 0407 343 876, Ray Smith 5674 1373

**People's Wardens:** David Beischer 0408 629 494, Robert Mesley 0416 246 349  
Liz Watkins 0404 379 005, Wendy McBurnie 0407 574 484

**Parish Office Worker:** Leah Mesley (2 mornings per week – Tue, Wed, Thur or Fri)

**Parish Postal Address:** PO Box 201, Wonthaggi 3995. 5672 4590

**Parish Op Shop:** 114 Cashin St, Inverloch 0438 248 397

**Welfare Support:** Rev. Graeme

**Food Rescue:** Ron Osborne

**Prayer requests for prayer chain:** Jenny Rivers 0417287355

**Parish E-mail:** [admin@basscoastanglican.org.au](mailto:admin@basscoastanglican.org.au)

**Parish Website:** <http://www.basscoastanglican.org.au>

**Direct Debit:** Would you please, if you haven't already, consider giving to the ministry through setting up a direct debit from your account. Thank you!

**Our Bank Details:** Anglican Parish of Wonthaggi & Inverloch

**BSB:** 083-975 **Acc No:** 51 612 6552

*Thank you to all who have already set up this means to support the Parish!*

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## **WIN FASHION PARADE**

Kay's Classic Fashions

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 1:30pm at Church of the Ascension

The Event will be preceded by the first formal meeting of the 'Win Collective' commencing at 11:30am. Women & Men welcome.

**Everyone welcome \$6 – includes a delicious afternoon tea**

## INFORMATION

<b>Readings 25 Sept</b>	Jeremiah 32.1-3a,6-15	Psalm 91.1-6,14-16
<b>Pentecost 16</b>	1 Timothy 6.6-19	Luke 16.19-31
<b>Tuesday 20th Sept</b>	10:00 am – Ascension Inverloch – HC – Rev Amy 11:30am – Prayer Meeting – St Georges 11:30pm WIN – Ascension 1:30pm WIN Fashion Parade	
<b>Wednesday 21st Sept</b>	10:00 am – St George’s Wonthaggi – HC – Rev John 11:00 - 11:30 am Food Rescue @ St George’s	
<b>Friday 23rd Sept</b>	11:00 - 11:30 am Food Rescue @ St George’s	

### Rosters 25th Sept, Pentecost 16: Prayer, Praise & Proclamation

<u>Activity</u>	<u>St George’s</u>	<u>Church of the Ascension</u>
<b>Bible Reader</b>	John Davies	Pam Lawson
<b>Sides Person</b>	Robert Mesley	Ted/Ray
<b>Prayers</b>	Robert Mesley	Liz Watkins
<b>Service Leader</b>	David Beischer	Sue Lester
<b>Eucharistic Asst</b>	X	X
<b>Musician</b>	Laren Hooke	Sue Lester
<b>Children’s Ministry</b>	Jill Price	Liz Watkins

*If you are unable to fulfil your roster position would you please organise for someone else to take your place.*

### **Bible Discovery Groups: (Check with group leaders for details)**

**Beischer’s** – Tuesdays, 7:30pm at the Beischer’s.

196 Chisholm Rd, Wonthaggi. Ph 0437 070 579 for details.

**Davies’** - Thursdays, 1:30pm @ St George’s Hall

**Liersch’s** – Tuesdays 4pm @ Alan & Jills, Pound Creek, Inverloch.

Ph: 0407 343 876 for details.

**Boer’s** – Tuesdays 6:30pm. **(In recess until Geoff & Jennifer return)**

Contact Geoff or Jennifer on 0431 440 073 for further details.

**Alycia/Tonya’s** – Wednesdays 12:30pm Ph: 0408 100 068 for details.

## **Samaritans Purse - Operation Christmas Child**

We are again supporting this ministry and boxes are now available at the back of the Church.

Please carefully follow the 'How to Pack a Shoe Box' Instructions.  
Show boxes need to be returned by the end of October.

### **MISSION BOXES**

Please return Mission Boxes by tomorrow, Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept so proceeds can be distributed at the end of our financial year (Sept 30<sup>th</sup>).

### **Australian Anglican Church Calendar 2023**

The calendar is now available to order and if you would like a copy, please see Graeme.

# **For Your Notes!**