

S^T. JAMIES'

Bicentenary 2019-2024

Choral Evensong for Martin Luther and the Reformation



Predella: Martin Luther preaching the crucified Christ, by Lucas Cranach the Elder and Lucas Cranach the Younger and workshop.

St James' Anglican Church
173 King Street, Sydney
(Opposite Hyde Park Barracks)
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Sunday

30 October 2022

4:00pm

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation or religion.

*We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land of which we worship
—the Gadigal of the Eora Nation.*

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*We warmly welcome you to this historic church
in the heart of Sydney.
We are pleased you have chosen
to worship God with us today.*

The Rev'd John Stewart (Acting Rector) **Officiant**
Pastor Christian Hohl (Deutsche Evangelisch-Lutherische
Kirchengemeinde in Sydney) **Preacher**
The Rev'd Glenn Maytum (Assistant Priest) **Assistant**
Assoc Prof Michael Horsburgh AM (Parish Lay Reader)
Intercessor

Alan Melrose **Reader**

The Choir of St James'
directed by Warren Trevelyan-Jones (Head of Music)
Marko Sever **Acting Assistant Head of Music**
Alistair Nelson **Organist**
Callum Knox **Organ Scholar**

The Altar Servers' Guild of St James' Church
Stephen Samild **Head Server**

The St James', Queens Square, Guild of Bellringers
Jackie Dettmann **Tower Captain**
Lindsay Small **Ringing Master**

The St James' Sidespersons Team
Peter Blunden **Head Sidesperson**

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8:00am, 10:00am **Sunday Services**



IN CASE WE NEED TO EVACUATE

As you take your place in your pew, please make yourself aware of the route to the nearest emergency exit. Should there be a fire, leave quickly and assemble in Queens Square by the statue of Queen Victoria.



FIRST AID

A First Aid kit is located on the wall of the kitchen in the crypt and in the Vestry.



GETTING INSIDE

If you require access to the church via the lift, please see the Verger or one of the Sidespeople.



TOILETS

Toilets are located in the crypt beneath the church.

If you need to use the disabled access toilets, ask the Verger for assistance.



HEAR ALL OF IT

A hearing loop is installed in the church.



BABY FACILITIES

Baby change tables are provided in both toilets in the crypt. Nursing mothers are welcome.



BE INFORMED

Pick up copies of previous weeks' pew sheets and *St James' Connections* in the Baptistry.

St James' & COVID-19

Attendance at Services

Services of worship are open to all people.

Due to COVID-19 still being present in the community, we recommend that those attending worship or other church activities:

- Be fully vaccinated;
- Stay at home if feeling unwell;
- Wear masks while in the church building and not remove them to sing;
- Use hand-sanitiser regularly.

Services and Events

Please refer to the back page for the schedule of services and events.

COVID-19 and Parish Information

The Rector's Pastoral Letters, which include details about service arrangements, can be viewed at

www.sjks.org.au/messages-re-covid-19/



TURN IT OFF, PLEASE

It would be appreciated if you could please turn off your mobile phone as soon as you are seated.

As this service is livestreamed, we request that you refrain from recording any part of the service and that noise is kept to a minimum.

Thank you.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) – *Wir glauben all an einen Gott, BWV 680*

Procession

Please stand as the ministers enter the church.

Introit

Please remain standing as the Choir sings the introit.

*Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott,
ein gute Wehr und Waffen;
er hilft uns frei aus aller Not,
die uns itzt hat betroffen.
Der alte böse Feind,
mit Ernst er's jetzt meint,
groß Macht und viel List
sein grausam Rüstung ist,
auf Erd ist nicht seinsgleichen.*

A mighty fortress is our God,
a sure defence and sword;
He helps us free from every harm
that has befallen us.
The ancient wicked enemy
truly now besets us.
He is cruelly equipped
with great strength and deceit,
on earth he has no equal.

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546)
Music: Melchior Franck (1580-1639)

Welcome and Introduction

The Officiant welcomes the congregation,

Welcome to St James' King Street for this service of Choral Evensong, on this occasion of the last liturgy accompanied by this present organ, and as we commemorate Martin Luther and the Reformation. It is therefore, a great pleasure to welcome as our guest preacher this afternoon, Pastor Christian Hohl from the Martin Luther Kirche in Sydney.

Five hundred and five years ago, Martin Luther enclosed with a letter to his archbishop 95 theses critical of aspects of Church practice at the time. He objected in particular to Christians being urged to pay a price that a dead loved one might be freed from punishment. Five hundred and five years later, we remember that the universal Church, the body of Christ is under God *semper reformanda*, always to be reformed. And we recall, with sadness, the cruelty and the deaths that blighted the ensuing decades and, with gratitude, the determination and trust that endured to the end and conquered through suffering.

Today, we stand together, reconciled in Christ, walking side by side, praying that we may be ever more united in our diversity and that we may draw more and more children of God into the beautiful story of God's love revealed in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Sentences and Confession

Minister Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. (ROMANS 12: 2)

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

Please sit or kneel.

All Almighty and most merciful Father;
we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against thy holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
and there is no health in us.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders;
spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.
Restore thou them that are penitent;
according to thy promises, declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake;
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who desireth not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live;
and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers,
to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent,
the Absolution and Remission of their sins:
✠ He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent,
and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.
Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance,
and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present;
and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy;
so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray,

All Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; In earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Preces

The Preces, Responses and Lord's Prayer are sung to a setting by Matthew Martin (b.1976).

Officiant ✠ O Lord, open thou our lips.
Choir *And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

✠ O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

Please be seated.

The Choir sings the Psalm to a chant based on Martin Luther.

*God is our hope and strength :
 a very present help in trouble.
 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved :
 and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.
 Though the waters thereof rage and swell :
 and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God :
 the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.
 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed :
 God shall help her, and that right early.
 The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved :
 but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
 The Lord of hosts is with us :
 the God of Jacob is our refuge.
 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord :
 what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.
 He maketh wars to cease in all the world :
 he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder,
 and burneth the chariots in the fire.
 Be still then, and know that I am God :
 I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.
 The Lord of hosts is with us :
 the God of Jacob is our refuge.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
 and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
 world without end. Amen.*

First Lesson

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

31: 31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

A short silence is observed.

Here ends the first lesson.

Office Hymn

It is recommended that the congregation wear masks when singing.

O praise ye the Lord!
Praise him in the height;
rejoice in his word,
ye angels of light;
ye heavens adore him
by whom you were made,
and worship before him,
in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord!
Praise him on the earth,
in tuneful accord,
ye sons of new birth;
praise him who has brought you
his grace from above,
praise him who has taught you
to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord!
All things that give sound;
each jubilant chord,
re-echo around;
loud organs, his glory
forth tell in deep tone,
and sweet harp, the story
of what he has done.

O praise ye the Lord!
Thanksgiving and song
to him be out-poured
all ages along:
for love in creation,
for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation,
O praise ye the Lord!

Words: H. W. Baker (1821-1877)

Music: LAUDATE DOMINUM, C. Hubert. H. Parry (1848-1918) [NEH 427];
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Magnificat

*Please stand. The Magnificat and Nunc dimittis are from the Evening Service in D by
Sir Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)*

✠ *My soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
For behold from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.
He hath shewn strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.*

Please be seated.

Second Lesson

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

3: 19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For 'no human being will be justified in his sight' by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, irrespective of law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

A short silence is observed.

Here ends the second lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

Please stand. The Choir sings,

*✠ Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all thy people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.*

Apostles' Creed

Officiant	I believe in God
All	the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, ✠ And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Responses

Officiant The Lord be with you.
Choir *And with thy spirit.*
Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save The King.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collects

The Collect for the Reformation

Officiant Almighty and eternal God,
you mercifully give the light of the gospel to your church.
Keep us in sound teaching that we may steadfastly believe
and worthily follow your saving word,
and finally by its holy comfort depart in peace and joy;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires,
all good counsels, and all just works do proceed;
Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give;
that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments,
and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies
may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

The Collect for aid against all perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;
and by thy great mercy
defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Anthem

Please be seated. The Choir sings the anthem.

*Give unto the Lord, O ye mighty, give unto the Lord glory and strength,
give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
The voice of the Lord is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth;
it is the Lord that ruleth the sea. The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty; the voice of the Lord breaketh the cedars.
Yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.
Yea, the voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire;
yea, the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness and strippeth the forests bare.
In His temple doth everyone speak of His glory.
Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
The Lord sitteth above the water-flood; and the Lord remaineth a King for ever;
The Lord shall give strength unto His people;
the Lord shall give His people the blessing of peace.*

Words: Psalm 29, adapted

Music: Sir Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Intercessions

Please kneel or remain seated.

Set free by the truth of God's gracious love,
we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's good creation.

Continue to reform your church, O God.
Unite it in mission. Teach it to grow in service.
Send it to those who do not yet know your love.

Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Call us to repent our destructive actions toward your creation.
Help us to leave our children and grandchildren
a world in which to live and thrive.

Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Call the nations to account, O God.
Show leaders and governments the way to peace.
Awaken in us a desire for the well-being of all people,
both our friends and our enemies.

Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Show your mercy to all those who call on you in times of trouble.
Provide for the poor, heal the sick, and comfort the grieving.

Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Teach us to welcome the stranger as Christ himself.
Prepare us to receive newcomers and visitors
with true hospitality and gracious care.

Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

We give thanks for all the faithful witnesses
and renewers of the church who have gone before us.

Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

(from Reformation 500, Augsburg Press)

All We join these prayers with private petitions of our hearts in the words of the Grace,
✠ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,
be with us all evermore. Amen.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Hymn

Please stand. It is recommended that members of the congregation wear masks when singing.

In our day of thanksgiving one psalm let us offer
for the saints who before us have found the reward;
when the shadow of death fell upon them, we sorrowed,
but now we rejoice that they rest in the Lord.

In the morning of life, and at noon, and at even,
He called them away from our worship below;
but not till his love, at the font and the altar,
had girt them with grace for the way they should go.

These stones that have echoed their praises are holy,
and dear is the ground where their feet have once trod;
yet here they confessed they were strangers and pilgrims,
and still they were seeking the city of God.

Sing praise then, for all who here sought and here found him,
whose journey is ended, whose perils are past;
they believed in the Light; and its glory is round them,
where the clouds of earth's sorrows are lifted at last.

Words: William Draper (1855-1933)

Music: ST CATHERINE'S COURT, Richard Strutt (1848-1927) [NEH 208];

CCL licence 552064

Blessing

Officiant The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost,
be amongst you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) – *Toccata and Fugue in D minor 'Dorian', BWV 538*

Please consider making your offering at sjks.org.au/donate

You are invited to remain for the concert following the service:



The Last Hurrah
A farewell concert for the St James' organ

featuring
Mark Bensted
David Drury
Peter Ellis
Titus Grenyer
Peter Jewkes
Callum Knox
Jessica Lim
Brett McKern
Alistair Nelson
Marko Sever

5:15pm, 30 October 2022
(after Choral Evensong at 4:00pm)
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Free Admission
Donations encouraged to the St James' Organ Appeal
Sponsored by The St James' Music Foundation

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Monday to Friday: 10:00am–4:00pm

Saturdays: 8:00am–1:00pm

Sundays: 7:00am–4:00pm

What's on this week

Worship

Monday to Friday

8:30am, Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

12:30pm, Holy Eucharist (Children's Chapel)

5:00pm, Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Wednesday

6:30pm, Solemn Choral Eucharist for All Souls' Day*

Christian Meditation

Tuesday, 1:10–1:50pm (via Zoom)

Wednesday, 7:45am–8:30am (via Zoom)

Sunday 6 November 2022

All Saints

(*White*)

8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Choral Eucharist*

Preacher: The Rev'd Elaine Farmer

*Livestreamed



Please consider paying your offering directly into the church account.
The details are: BSB 032 007, A/C 250025, Churchwardens St James' Gen. A/C.
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