

St James' Old Cathedral

1st August 2021 at 10:00am

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

“I have put my words in your mouth”: Jeremiah 1

*Service of Holy Communion from
A Prayer Book for Australia (1995)*



St James' Old Cathedral

Acknowledgement of Country

We worship our creator God on the ancestral lands of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We acknowledge them as the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

Child Safety Officer

We are committed to continuous improvement in a safe culture for all, and especially vulnerable persons. Our parish's Child Safety Officer is Una Ebsworth. Una is an accredited specialist in criminal law. All correspondence and questions relating to safety checks should be forwarded to her at safety@sjoc.org.au.

The Old Cathedral Voices

Formed in March 2009 from some of Melbourne's finest choral soloists, *The Old Cathedral Voices* are directed by Jenny George.

Today's singers are:

Emilia Bertolini	Eliza O'Connor	
Jenny George	Jack Jordan	Spencer Chapman
Julien Robinson	Tom Drent	

The Organ

The present organ was built in 1991 by Australian Pipe Organs, restoring and expanding the 1866 Fincham organ. 2 manuals, 18 speaking stops, 8 couplers. Gt: 8.8.4.4.2.III. Sw: 8.8.8.4.2.III.8. Ped: 16.16.10-2/3.8.4.

The Old Cathedral's organist is David Brown. David undertook studies as an organ scholar at the Universities of Cambridge and St Andrews.

The Bells

Melbourne's first peal of bells were the six bells hung in St James' Cathedral in 1853, replacing an old ship's bell. Two more were added in 1885. All were cast by Mears and Stainbank of Whitechapel Road, London, and are reputed to be the finest ever cast there. They are still rung regularly by a team of volunteers.

COVID Safety at St James' Old Cathedral

Please help us keep everyone safe and compliant with government regulations.

- 1. Masks are required to be worn at all times while indoors.**
- 2. Everyone is required to register.** Please use the QR codes at the entrance or in the pews. The same code suffices for the whole site so there is no separate registration for the conference centre.
- 3. Hand Sanitiser** is provided at the entrance.
- 4. Sit in even numbered pews.** This maintains a 1.7m distance.
- 5. Building capacity limit = 100 persons.** This is the cap prescribed by the government this week.
- 6. No offertory collection.** Passing objects around (such as offertory bags) is an obvious risk. Please use electronic giving, or the donation box by the rear doors.
- 7. Communion** will be provided in both kinds. For simplicity we will all use the biodegradable individual cups of non-alcoholic wine usually offered as an alternative to the common cup.
- 8. Doors** may be left open to improve ventilation.
- 9.** The clergy will **greet** you at the door after the service but without handshakes. Please greet each other the same way. The greeting of the peace will be a liturgical response only, not moving around.
- 10. Social gathering** after church may include tea and coffee service, and individually prepared snacks, served from the conference centre. Self-service is not permitted.

Processional
Let the Word of Christ

The Old Cathedral Voices
P. Campbell (b. 1967)

Commissioned and Premiered by The Old Cathedral Voices in 2011.

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,
in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another
in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs,
singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Colossians 3:16*

Opening Sentences

Stacey Slater

The Lord said to Jeremiah,
'Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant.'

Jeremiah 1:9-10

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

Stacey Slater

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.**

Hymn 516 (Ottawa)

F. R. Havergal (1836-79)

**Master, speak, thy servant heareth,
waiting for thy gracious word,
longing for thy voice that cheereth;
Master, let it now be heard.**

**I am listening, Lord, for thee:
what hast thou to say to me?**

**Speak to me by name, O Master,
let me know it is to me;
speak, that I may follow faster,
with a step more firm and free,
where the shepherd leads the flock
in the shadow of the rock.**

**Master, speak: and make me ready,
when thy voice is truly heard,
with obedience glad and steady
still to follow every word.**

**I am listening, Lord, for thee:
Master, speak, O speak to me!**

The Commandments

Stacey Slater

‘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 is the great and first commandment.
And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

Gloria

Stacey Slater

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his 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.

Collect***Stacey Slater***

O God, the protector of all that trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy,
increase and multiply upon us your mercy,
that, with you as our ruler and guide,
we may so pass through things temporal
that we finally lose not the things eternal.
Grant this, O heavenly Father,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word***Stacey Slater***

Heavenly Father, give us wisdom and understanding.
As we listen to your Word,
may we know you better, love you more,
and learn to please you in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering for Children's Chapel

Rev. Jess Naylor-Tattersson

We offer an age-appropriate experience of the Ministry of the Word for children, led today by Reverend Jess. They are invited to process out to the conference centre, as the following anthem is sung. They will return in time to join us at Holy Communion.

Childsafe Policy: Children's Chapel is supervised at all times by at least two unrelated adults with current Working with Children Check approvals.

Meditation

The Old Cathedral Voices

He gives his beloved sleep

A. Anderson (b. 1971)

Commissioned for The Old Cathedral Voices. Premiered 9th September 2018. Andrew Anderson is our 2021-23 Composer-in-Residence.

Except the Lord build the house:

they labour in vain that build it.

Except the Lord keep the city:

the watchmen waketh but in vain.

It is vain for you to rise up early:

It is vain for you to sit up late;

It is vain to eat the bread of sorrows:

for so he giveth his beloved (even as they) sleep. Ps 127:1-2 (Alt.)

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:1-19

Catherine McGovern

The words of Jeremiah son of Hilkiah,
of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin,
²to whom the word of the Lord came
in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah,
in the thirteenth year of his reign.

³It came also in the days of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah,
and until the end of the eleventh year
of King Zedekiah son of Josiah of Judah,
until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.

⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,
⁵'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.'

⁶Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God!
Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.'

⁷But the Lord said to me,
'Do not say, "I am only a boy";
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

⁸ Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.'

⁹Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth;
and the Lord said to me,

'Now I have put my words in your mouth.

¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant.'

¹¹The word of the Lord came to me, saying,
‘Jeremiah, what do you see?’

And I said, ‘I see a branch of an almond tree.’

¹²Then the Lord said to me, ‘You have seen well,
for I am watching over my word to perform it.’

¹³The word of the Lord came to me a second time, saying,
‘What do you see?’

And I said, ‘I see a boiling pot, tilted away from the north.’

¹⁴Then the Lord said to me:

Out of the north disaster shall break out
on all the inhabitants of the land.

¹⁵For now I am calling all the tribes of the kingdoms of the north,
says the Lord; and they shall come
and all of them shall set their thrones
at the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem,
against all its surrounding walls
and against all the cities of Judah.

¹⁶And I will utter my judgements against them,
for all their wickedness in forsaking me;
they have made offerings to other gods,
and worshipped the works of their own hands.

¹⁷But you, gird up your loins;
stand up and tell them everything that I command you.

Do not break down before them,
or I will break you before them.

¹⁸And I for my part have made you today a fortified city,
an iron pillar, and a bronze wall, against the whole land—
against the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests,
and the people of the land.

¹⁹They will fight against you;
but they shall not prevail against you,
for I am with you, says the Lord, to deliver you.

Hear the word of the Lord: **thanks be to God.**

Psalm 127

Stacey Slater

Unless the Lord builds the house:
their labour is but lost that build it.

Unless the Lord keeps the city:
the watchmen watch in vain.

It is in vain that you rise up early and go so late to rest,
eating the bread of toil:
for the Lord bestows honour – and on those whom he loves.

Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord:
and the fruit of the womb is his gift.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior:
are the children of one's youth.

Happy the man who has his quiver full of them:
**he will not be put to shame
when he confronts his enemies at the gate.**

Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-20

Mimi Lee

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power.

¹¹Put on the whole armour of God,
so that you may be able to stand
against the wiles of the devil.

¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh,
but against the rulers, against the authorities,
against the cosmic powers of this present darkness,
against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

¹³Therefore take up the whole armour of God,
so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day,
and having done everything, to stand firm.

¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist,
and put on the breastplate of righteousness.

¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready
to proclaim the gospel of peace.

¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith,
with which you will be able to quench
all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation,
and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication.

To that end keep alert
and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak,
a message may be given to me
to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel,
²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains.

Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Hear the word of the Lord: **thanks be to God.**

Hymn 8 (Ein' Feste Burg)

M. Luther (1483-1546)

**A mighty fortress is our God,
a sure defence and weapon.
He'll help us out of every need
whatever now may happen.
The ancient evil fiend
has deadly ill in mind;
great power and craft are his,
his armour gruesome is,
on earth is not his equal.**

**With our own strength is nothing done,
soon we are lost, dejected;
but for us fights the rightful Man
whom God himself elected.
You ask: Who may this be?
Christ Jesus it is he,
the Lord Sabaoth's Son,
our God, and he alone
shall hold the field victorious.**

**And though the world were full of fiends
all lurking to devour us,
we tremble not nor fear their bands,
they shall not overpower us.
The prince of this world's ill
may scowl upon us still,
he cannot do us harm,
to judgement he has come:
one word can swiftly fell him.**

Cont. Over =>

**The Word they must allow to stand -
for this they win no merit;
upon the field, so near at hand,
he gives to us his Spirit.
And though they take our life,
goods, honour, child, and wife,
though we must let all go,
they will not profit so:
to us remains the Kingdom.**

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-23

Stacey Slater

The Gospel is written in the twentieth chapter of the Gospel according to John, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week,
and the doors of the house where the disciples had met
were locked for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood among them and said,
'Peace be with you.'

²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.
Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,
'Receive the Holy Spirit.

²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them;
if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

For the gospel of the Lord: **praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Canon Matt Williams

Anthem

The Old Cathedral Voices

Let the words of my mouth

J. Barnby (1838-96)

Let the words of my mouth

and the meditation of my heart

be always acceptable in thy sight,

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. Amen. Psalm 19:14-15

Let us together 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.**

Intercessions

Chris Jones

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 for ever. Amen.**

Preparation

Stacey Slater

Let us pray.

**We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.**

**But you are the same Lord,
whose nature is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

Confession

Stacey Slater

Knowing the goodness of God

and our failure to respond with love and obedience,
let us confess our sins, saying together,

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.

Absolution

Canon Matt Williams

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.**

Greeting of Peace

Stacey Slater

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

His steadfast love endures for ever.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertories are no longer collected at this point.

Hymn 486 (Wilton)

C. Wesley (1707-88)

**O thou who camest from above
the pure celestial fire to impart
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.**

**There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up thy gift in me,
ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat,
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.**

Thanksgiving & Holy Communion *Canon Matt Williams*

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 glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
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 glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

And now we thank you
for these gifts of bread and wine;
may we who receive them,
as Jesus said,
share his body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread
and gave you thanks.
He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said,
'Take and eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup
and gave you thanks.
He shared the cup with them and said,
'This is my blood poured out
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

You have gathered us together to feed on Christ
and to remember all he has done for us:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory.

Fill us with your Spirit
that we may follow Jesus
in all we do and say,
working for justice and bringing your peace
to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

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.

*All baptised believers in the Lord Jesus Christ,
including children at their parents' discretion,
are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table.*

No common cup can be offered at this time.

Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

During Communion

A Sound came from Heaven

The Old Cathedral Voices

Douglas Mews (1918-1993)

A sound came from heaven:

a sound like a strong wind blowing.

From heaven, too, appeared tongues of fire:

resting on the disciples.

They were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Come, O Holy Spirit,

fill the hearts of Thy faithful,

And kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

After Communion

Canon Matt Williams

Bountiful God, at this table you graciously feed us
with the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.
May we who have reached out our hands to receive this sacrament
be strengthened in your service;
we who have sung your praises
tell of your glory and truth in our lives;
we who have seen the greatness of your love
see you face to face in your kingdom
and come to worship you with all your saints for ever.

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.

Notices

Canon Matt Williams

Hymn 528ii (Ich Halte Treulich Still) *G. Matheson (1842-1906)*

**Make me a captive, Lord,
and then I shall be free;
force me to render up my sword,
and I shall conqueror be.**

**I sink in life's alarms
when by myself I stand;
imprison me within thine arms,
and strong shall be my hand.**

**My heart is weak and poor
until it master find;
it has no spring of action sure,
it varies with the wind.
It cannot freely move,
till thou hast wrought its chain;
enslave it with thy matchless love,
and deathless it shall reign.**

**My will is not my own
till thou hast made it thine;
if it would reach a monarch's throne
it must its crown resign;
it only stands unbent,
amid the clashing strife,
when on thy bosom it has leant
and found in thee its life.**

The Grace

Canon Matt Williams

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 peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional

David Brown (Organ)

PLEASE STAY FOR MORNING TEA
IN THE CONFERENCE CENTRE NEXT DOOR
AFTER THE SERVICE

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St James' Old Cathedral

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Child Safe Culture Principle of the Week

1. Insist on two unrelated adults

Any church programme that involves looking after children must be led by at least two adults who are not related to each other. This is a rule that knows no exceptions. If you see a lesser standard, please ask questions. Tell the vicar. Email Una at safety@sjoc.org.au.

If you do find yourself in a space alone with someone else's child, gently and naturally encourage them back with a larger group as soon as possible, or if they are physically safe, just go and make sure their parent or guardian knows where they are.

Kids: whenever you're at church, make sure you can always see either one of the grown-ups you came with; or two other grown-ups who are leading your program.

St James' Old Cathedral

Commitment to Child Safety

Jesus said:

*"Anyone who welcomes a little child in my name welcomes me.
But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to stumble –
it would be better for him if a heavy millstone were hung around his neck
and he were drowned in the depths of the sea."*

Matthew 18:5-6

As we meet together to worship God,
we seek to honour him by the diligent protection of children.

We are committed to creating a culture of safety for all,
and undergoing regular training to do so.

We seek to normalise routine submission
to Police Checks and Working With Children Checks
for all members of the community.

If anyone sees any behaviour
related to child safety that strikes them as odd,
they should not investigate the matter themselves,
but call the independent Professional Standards Hotline
(Kooyoora Ltd) for expert guidance:

1800 135 246

or our local police (313 Spencer Street, Docklands):

03 8690 4444

Intercessions

We pray for: Our West Melbourne Community; Haileybury College; Mike Raiter and The Centre for Biblical Preaching; Zoe Creelman (CMS); Chris and Sarah Griffioen and family (OM); Australian Indigenous Churches; Ridley College; Trinity College; the Overseas Chinese Christian Church; Edith Weaver; Joan Heard; Isabel Dale; Lola Russell-Dixon; Joy Palmby; Andrew; Greg Goldby; Bob Parfitt; Janette Wells; Roselee Jones; Anthea McCall; Richard and Jean Ely; Rovyna Phua; Beverly Stephenson; all those who grieve the recent deaths of Bryan Carnell; Gary Furniss and Max Champion.

Notices

- Save the Dates: The church weekend away is planned for Thursday 23rd to Saturday 25th September, 2021 (Grand Final Weekend).
- Our new CMS partner will be Zoe Creelman, who is heading to the Northern Territory supporting local Indigenous-led churches. We will have opportunities to get to know her more in the coming months.

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